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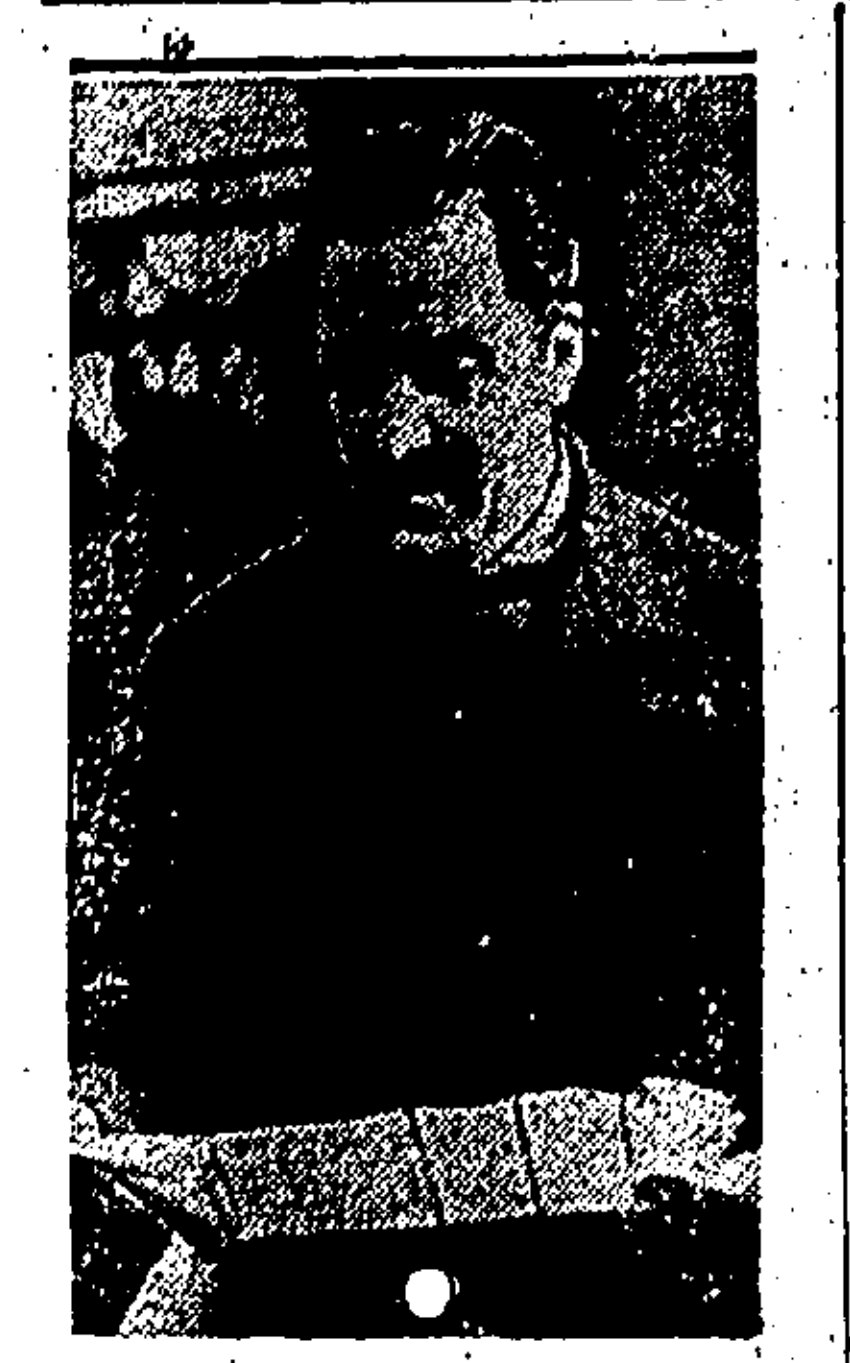
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HAUPTMANN LOSES COMPOSURE WHEN IDENTIFIED BY CONDON

WYATT'S SHREWD CAPTAINCY



Capt. Henry Pughet, chosen as skipper of new liner Normandie, the world's largest vessel, has already taken charge of her. He is shown familiarising himself with the ship.

MILITARY CHIEFS DEFIED BY FINANCE MINISTER IN JAPAN

Takahashi's Warning May Have Effect On Party Politics

CULB ON SERVICE DEMANDS?

London, To-day. The "Times," in a leading article on Japan's budgetary position, says that more significant than the actual terms of Finance Minister Takahashi's warning to his countrymen is the fact that he openly stood up to the military chiefs.

There have been several occasions in recent years when civilian Ministers seemed to be "in the pockets" of Generals and Admirals, and propaganda had become almost the monopoly of the far-from-silent services, the journal continues.

The belief that Japan is approaching a period of national emergency with which the politicians cannot be expected to cope is suggested day after day.

Mr. Fujii, though he finally got the worst of the encounter, did his best to curb the demands of the Services. Finance Minister Takahashi has not gone so far (in public at least), but his great experience and high international reputation add weight to his warning and may have a tonic effect on the recently debilitated Japanese party politics. "The Times" leader writer concludes.—Reuter.

POSTAL SERVICE TO MANCHURIA

Revival Causes General Satisfaction

Shanghai, To-day. The resumption of postal facilities to Manchuria, enabling the use of the speedy service via Siberia, has been hailed with general satisfaction by all circles. The mail, however, will go into or through the three eastern provinces only via the transmission offices at Shanhai-kuan and Kuppelkow, but not seaward via Dairen, as before the suspension.—Reuter.

WEATHER FORECAST

The anticyclone has weakened, but pressure remains highest over the Lower Yangtze Valley. Depressions are situated to the north of Shanghai and between Tokyo and the Bonins. The local forecast for to-day, as issued by the Royal Observatory, was north-east winds, moderate, cloudy.

DECLARES AT 81 FOR 7

SENSATIONAL DISMISSALS IN THE FIRST OVER

Hammond And Holmes Out To Successive Deliveries

WEST INDIES SKIPPER HOLDS BACK BEST BATSMEN

SMITH TAKES 3 FOR 0

Barbados, To-day. With seven wickets in hand the West Indies are leading England by only 54 runs in the first Test match as the result of R. E. S. Wyatt's judicious declaration after two disasters at the commencement of play yesterday afternoon. (Continued on Page 5)

Detailed scores as cabled by Reuter were:—

ENGLAND				
R. E. S. Wyatt, c R. Grant, b Martindale	8			
Leyland, b Martindale	3			
Hammond, c R. Grant, b Hylton	43			
Hendren, c R. Grant, b Martindale	3			
Ames, lb.w., b R. Grant	0			
Smith, c Jones, b Hylton	0			
Edson, not out	14			
E. R. T. Holmes, c Achong, b Hylton	0			
Extras	2			

Total (for 7 wks. dec.) 81
Paine, Holmes, and K. Farnes did not bat.

BOWLING				
	O	M	R	W
Martindale	9	0	39	3
Hylton	7	3	8	3
Achong	6	1	14	0
Grant	7	0	18	1

W. INDIES (2nd Innings)
R. Grant, c Paine, b Smith 0
E. A. Martindale, lb.w., b Smith 0
Hylton, not out 17
E. Achong, b Smith 0
Christians, not out 6
Extras 10

Total (for 3 wks.) 33

"I'M ALONE" CASE CONCLUDED

Compensation By U.S. To Canadian Govt. And Crew

OWNERS RECEIVE NOTHING AS RESULT OF SINKING

Washington, To-day. One of the most outstanding cases of the days of Prohibition, the litigation arising from the sinking of the rum-runner "I'm Alone" in March, 1929, has ended. The joint American and Canadian commission has decided that the United States shall apologise for the sinking of the vessel and pay the Canadian Government and members of the crew compensation, but nothing to the owners.—Reuter.

Sir Malcolm Campbell Seeks New Speed Mark At Daytona

London, To-day. A New Bluebird motor car, incorporating many new features, and in which Sir Malcolm Campbell will attempt to lower his own world's speed record at Daytona next month, was on view at Brooklands race track yesterday. This giant car, weighing 4½ tons, is being shipped to America in the "Berengaria" on January 16, and Sir Malcolm Campbell is following in the "Aquitania" a week later.

TRAWLER DISASTER



Arriving in New York for the opera season, Lily Pons, famous singer, indicated that her marriage to Dr. Fritz Van der Beeke, German ship surgeon, is far far in the future. She says her artistic career comes first.

13 REPORTED DROWNED

HUMBER TRAGEDY

London, To-day. The 336-ton trawler "Edgar Wallace" struck a sand-bank in the River Humber near Hull last night, heeled over, and sank immediately. Fifteen are believed drowned. There are known to be only two survivors up to the present, one of whom clung to some wreckage for over an hour before being rescued.—Reuter.

London, Later. The drowned are now estimated at 13. There are three survivors.

The disaster happened only three-quarters of a mile off Hesse fish dock, when fog delayed the trawler, with a haul of fish.—Reuter.

ANOTHER RUSSIAN TRAIN DISASTER

6 Killed : 23 Injured In Early Morning

Moscow, To-day. Six people were killed and 23 injured when a train crashed into the rear of another at Rostov-on-Don early yesterday.—Reuter. A similar accident occurred on the Soviet line on Tuesday resulting in the death of 23 persons. The accident was attributed to the carelessness and inefficiency of certain railway employees, and the station-master at the station where the accident took place was arrested.

INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENT ON MONEY VALUES

FORESHADOWED BY U.S. OFFICIAL

ATTORNEY-GENERAL'S PROGNOSTICATION

Washington, To-day. A world agreement on money and currency matters was forecasted by the U. S. Attorney-General, Mr. Homer S. Cummings in an address to the Supreme Court yesterday in connection with the Norman case, an action brought against the Baltimore and Ohio Railway to compel the Company to abide by the gold clause in its bonds.

Mr. Cummings asked the Court to uphold the law suspending gold payments so that the United States would not be hindered in any conference with other nations.

He declared the time would come when the United States would confer with other nations with regard to monetary and currency matters, including fixing the value of the currency of the nations. (Continued on Page 12)

FOG IN ENGLAND DELAYS TRAFFIC

Air Liners Unable To Reach Croydon

PASSENGERS LANDED AT OTHER AERODROMES

London, To-day. Fog caused delay in road and rail traffic in some of the London suburbs yesterday and shipping on the Thames was held up, while, owing to poor visibility at Croydon, some of the inward-bound air liners found it necessary to land elsewhere.

Two liners from Paris and one from Berlin landed their passengers at Biggin Hill Aerodrome, but the Imperial Airways "Heracles," which left Paris with 17 passengers, arrived safely at Croydon according to schedule. There was no interference, however, with departures from Croydon.—British Wireless Service.

SHANGHAI'S PEA-SOUP FOG

Shanghai, To-day. A pea-soup fog which, near the waterfront, was the thickest for years, blanketed Shanghai this morning, delaying traffic. The mail planes, however, left according to schedule.—Reuter.

DISASTROUS FIRE IN FRANCE

Rubber Factory Blaze Threatening Town

Grenoble, To-day. A whole block of houses was set alight to-day by a fire in a rubber warehouse in the centre of the town. The fire, which is threatening other parts of the town, is still blazing furiously. All the fire brigades have been called out.—Reuter.

COTTON MILLS PETITION NANKING GOVT.

Nanking, To-day. That specialisation on the Chinese Cotton Goods Exchange be prohibited on the ground of its serious effects on the Chinese cotton industry is being urged by over 10 Chinese cotton mills in a petition to the Government.—Reuter.



Here is an excellent close-up view of Bruno Richard Hauptmann, New York City carpenter and cabinet maker, who is now on trial for his life on charges of kidnapping and murdering the Lindbergh baby in 1932. Part of the ransom money was found in the garage at Hauptmann's home.

NEW SITE FOR WEST POINT GASOMETERS

COMPULSORY INSPECTION IN HANDS OF HOME AUTHORITIES

The Colonial Secretary, Sir Thomas Southey, K.C.M.G., in reply to questions standing in the name of the Hon. Dr. Kotewall, stated at this afternoon's meeting of the Legislative Council that a new site was being acquired for the gasometers of the Hong Kong Gas Company, which would do away with the danger of a disaster such as occurred at West Point last year, and that the Home authorities were being consulted on the matter of the compulsory inspection of gasometers.

The Hon. Mr. R. M. Henderson, Director of Public Works moved the first reading of a Bill, intitled "An Ordinance to amend and consolidate the law relating to the Construction of Buildings."

The Hon. Dr. R. H. Kotewall, C.M.G., LL.D., pursuant to notice, asked the following questions:—

(a) Whether the gasometers are considered to be suitably placed in their present locations, in view of their proximity to tenement houses?

(b) What steps have been, or will be, taken to ensure the proper maintenance and the regular examination of the gasometers?

(c) It is understood that no special legislation for the compulsory inspection of gasometers is in force in the United Kingdom; but the advice of the Home Authorities is being sought as to whether in view of local conditions such legislation is desirable here.

(d) What other steps has the Government decided to take with a view to preventing similar disasters in the future?

CHEAP CREDIT TRIUMPHS

Flandin's "New Deal" Policy Unchecked

BRITAIN LEFT TO ALLAY GERMAN SUSPICION OF EUROPEAN PACT

The resignation of M. Moret from the government of the Bank of France implies that Mr. Pierre Flandin's policy for cheap credit has triumphed against deflation, and that he continues to organise his own "New Deal" states a special Washington cable to Messrs. S.E. Levy and Company. The outlook points towards a managed gold standard and the readjustment of the gold bloc, currencies in relation to the British pound and to the United States dollar. (Continued on Page 9)

TURNING VERY PALE

"GO-BETWEEN" WITNESS CAUSES STIR IN COURT

PROVES PERFECT ACTOR

MYSTERIOUS 'JOHN'S' BAD COUGH

Flemington, To-day. Dr. J. F. Condon, the man who acted as "go-between" for Colonel Lindbergh in the negotiations with the kidnappers, identified Bruno Hauptmann four times during his two-and-three-quarter-hours' evidence.

He enthralled the audience from the start, banishing the court's customary solemnity, and proving a perfect actor, his moods changing in tune with the evidence.

Hauptmann went very pale when identified, but continued to stare at Dr. Condon, who glared back.

Dr. Condon-related that "John," the mysterious person to whom Dr. Condon declared he handed over the U.S.\$50,000 ransom money, had fits of coughing when they were in the cemetery, and he (Condon) said: "The inroads of pulmonary disease seem to have started; let me get you some medicine."

The defence is expected to seize on this point in view of the fact that Isidore Fisch, the person from whom Hauptmann swears he received the ransom notes, died of tuberculosis in Germany.—Reuter.

One of the principal points in the defence prepared by Hauptmann's attorneys, Messrs. C. Lloyd Fisher and Edward J. Reilly, is that Dr. Condon could never properly identify Hauptmann as the mysterious "John" to whom he handed the ransom money in the Bronx Cemetery.

STANDING LAW COMMITTEE

The Hon. Mr. C. G. Alabaster K.C., O.B.E., Attorney-General, the Hon. Mr. N. L. Smith, Secretary for Chinese Affairs, the Hon. Sir Henry Pollock K.C., the Hon. Sir Wm. Shenton Kt., the Hon. Dr. S. W. T'ao O.B.E., LL.D. were elected members of the Standing Law Committee.

"MORE PEACEFUL CHINA BUT TRADE IS BECOMING LESS"

Tariff Changes Cause Cautious Buying

LANCASHIRE REVIEW

London, To-day. "A more peaceful China but also, one with less trading activity," states the Manchester Chamber of Commerce in its annual review of the trade with China. Diminishing Chinese purchasing power is the chief cause of Lancashire's rapidly contracting piece-goods trade, and it is difficult to see how matters can be improved until China either obtains better prices internally or an increased demand for her produce. (Continued on Page 12)

MAIL SCHEDULES

BROADCASTING RECEIVING LICENCES, 1935.

All Existing Licences expire on 31st December, 1934.

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Comte Rosso Jan. 11
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Suwa Maru Jan. 11
Pres. Hayes Jan. 11

FROM STRAITS & INDIA

Lyons Maru Jan. 13
Terukuni Maru Jan. 13
Trotus Jan. 13
Suwa Maru Jan. 13

FROM AUSTRALIA

Kitano Maru Jan. 17

FROM MANILA

Pres. Taft Jan. 14
Kitano Maru Jan. 17

OUTWARD MAILS.

FOR EUROPE

Rawalpindi (via Siberia) Jan. 11
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FOR SHANGHAI

Rawalpindi Jan. 11
Jean Laborde Jan. 12

FOR INDIA

Ranchi Jan. 12

FOR JAPAN

Rawalpindi Jan. 11
Jean Laborde Jan. 12

FOR MANILA

Tatsumi Jan. 11
Pres. McKinley Jan. 12
Pres. Hoover Jan. 12
Pres. Hayes Jan. 12

The Woman's Page

WINTER WRAP PROBLEM
A SURVEY OF MANY STYLES

(By The Hon. Mrs. C. W. Forester)

Furs are very luxurious, but there are fur coats priced to suit every income. At the same time, women require a practical wool-cloth or warm tweed coat. In both cases the new shoulders cape, or large shawl-collar of a soft pelts, provide a good deal of extra warmth.

A velvet model in darkest green that any woman would appreciate had slightly bell sleeves, and a shoulder cape trimmed with a border of black seal—the big cuffs were of the same fur—pushing up the elbow. Another coat, in dark brown, had a shawl-collar of nutria, with a cap to match.

The shoulder-cape, trimmed fur, attached to long and three-quarter wraps, are elegant as well as warm. With velvet, for town wear, the less expensive furs can look very effective. Seal-coney treated to look like summer ermine, also carefully chosen modes, make a becoming trimming to black velvet or faille.

The capes are often detachable. This permits of a pleasing little wrap to wear indoors.

The Edwardian costumes seemed so inappropriate to use for any other purpose than that for which they were created. The reception dress was kept for receptions, the suit for mornings and so forth.

The Season's Success
Furs, harsh and ugly, were only for the elders. Girls wore scratchy woollens! The idea that a portion of the afternoon "ensemble" or evening toilette could be utilised in other ways never entered into the dress-schemes of last century. Imagination was centred on the single effect, and that certainly was overcrowded with ideas and decoration.

The beautiful new cape of dark velvet trimmed with spiral strands of silver fox is naturally one of

I like the odd shaded foxes best when used to complete a special afternoon or evening ensemble in an unusual shade of velvet or lame, but for any practical daywear odd coloured furs should be avoided. Reverting to the cape-coats, I would emphasise that the smartness of tweed it is tailored severity. If a fur collar alone is added it should be essentially a harder wearing sort of skin like nutria, natural musquash, leopard, lynx, astrakhan or opossum, of a shade that tones in with the tweed. In the case of a tweed shoulder cape, heavy stitching is best used instead of fur, unless it be a narrow border of matching broadtail. The best velvet topcoats can, this year, be more decorated, especially if destined for town wear, for fashion is more than ever distinctive in her town and country choice.

CLEANING NICKEL TAPS

Nickel taps are best cleaned simply with whitening. Metal polish will remove the nickel quickly. The same applies to chromium taps, though here not even whitening is necessary.

After washing tiles, it is a good plan to treat them as you would your china and glass, and polish them with a linen towel.



The simplicity and versatility of this type of cocktail costume makes it a favourite with the fashionable woman. Of black velvet, this blouse frock is topped in silver cloth, while the semi-tailored jacket achieves luxuriance with a wide collar. Alice Faye, screen luminary, lends her blonde loveliness as an added charm.

FOR THE WOMAN WITH A GARDEN

A pair of gloves in thick natural-colour leather may be given a decorative interest by appliqueing deep green leather fir trees on the backs.

The useful hold-all to hang on the belt is made of pale yellow oil-baize edged with a deeper yellow. The natural-colour bass is held between two-pieces of oil-baize clipped together, and on the top part are a pocket, a pouch for secateurs or scissors with red handles, and a place for a red pencil.

KNUCKLE DUSTER RINGS

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WINTER BEAUTY

Cleansing the face with cold cream, finished by an astringent lotion, rather than washing it with soap and water, is advisable during the winter months. Many women, whose skins are inclined to be a trifle coarse, find their trouble is that the cream does not really do its work. The face feels sticky even after the tissues have wiped away the last traces; and soon enlarged pores and black-heads appear. The way to avoid this is to use a liquifying cleansing cream. Most of the well-known manufacturers sell this variety. The cream looks like any other in the jar but melts like butter immediately it touches the skin.

1914-1934 Fashions

London.

The 1914 dress which Gwen Frangcon-Davies wears in "Flowers of the Forest," which was produced recently, at the Whitehall Theatre, has had to be adapted to 1934 fashions because, as Miss Frangcon-Davies explained: "It looked so comic that it would have distracted people's attention from the play."

Naomi, the heroine, wears a genuine V.A.D. dress of 1916 which was actually worn during the war by Auriol Lee's sister-in-law.

A tea-gown in the last act is so modern that it might be called a "Princess Marina" fashion. It is of peach-coloured crepe shot with silver. The hair-dressing is "Princess Marina" also; with curls at the back of the head. A beautiful afternoon dress is of wine-coloured velvet worn with a brown felt hat turned up at the side, and brown furs.

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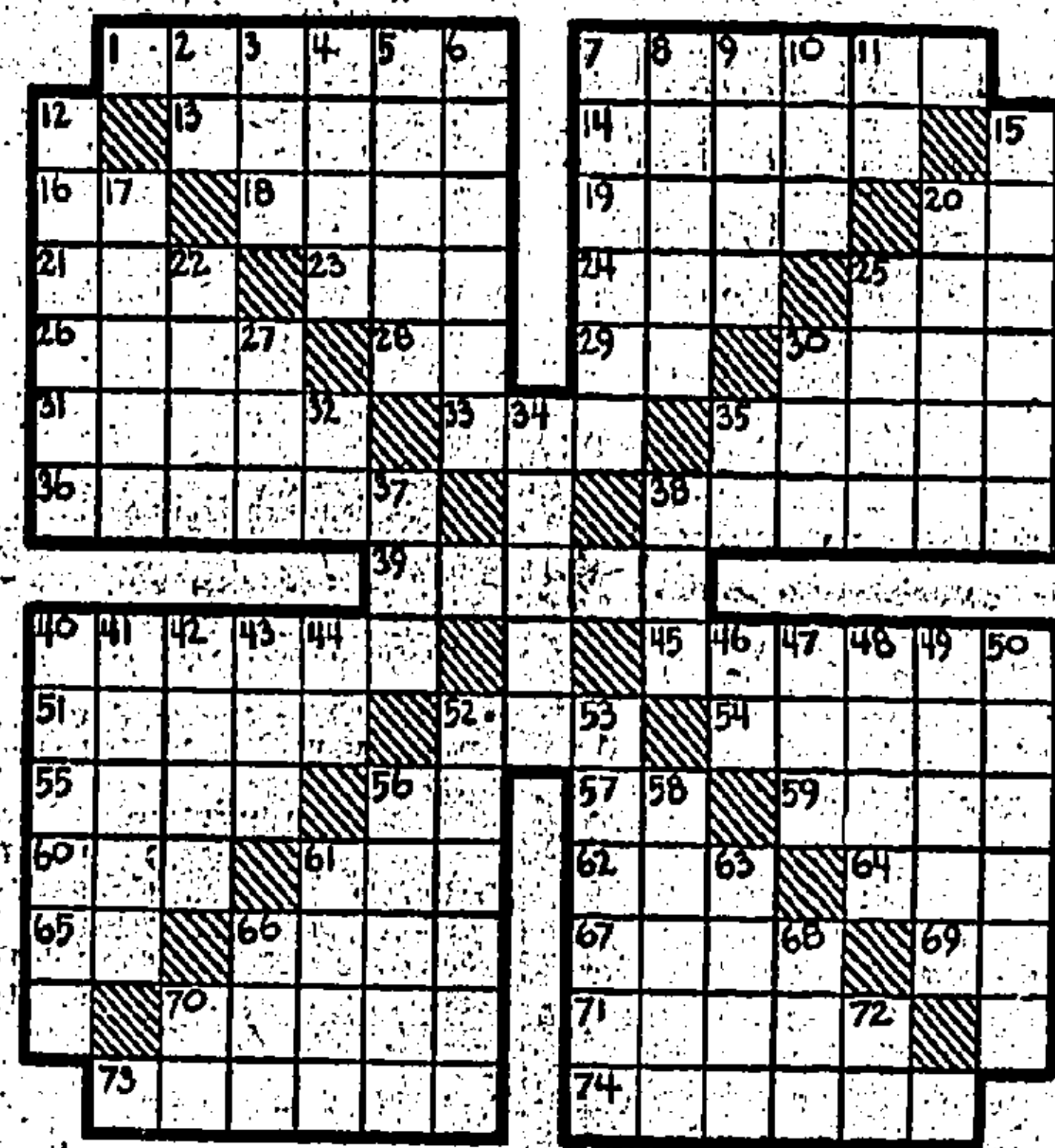
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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE

This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spelling, such as harbor, plow, and altho.



HORIZONTAL

1—Omit
7—Baby's bed
13—Beau
14—Very fast
15—Preposition
16—Web-like membrane
19—Small particle
20—Pronoun
21—Vase with a foot
23—Portuguese coin
24—Boy's name (short)
25—Comrade
26—Bucket
28—The (Sp.)
29—Suffix to farm past tense
30—Frozen rain
31—Possessive of Edna
32—Borrowed
33—The surface of the sea
36—Covered with seeds
38—Church festival
39—Consumed
40—Morose
41—Harm
42—Pertaining to Asia
43—Attempt
44—A number
45—Canvas shelter
46—Pronoun
47—Exile
48—Tinge

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

50—Before
51—Any protuberance
52—Greek letter
54—Female deer
55—Plural suffix
56—Chime
57—Girl's name
58—Arab (abbr.)
59—One who receives a gift
60—Compact
61—Carthen vessel
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VERTICAL

2—Ferry (Rom.)
3—Small bed
4—At any time
5—Volcano on island
6—Martini
7—Put in a state
8—Graded
9—Without feet
10—Pole
11—Lord (abbr.)
12—Destitute person
13—Underground part of a house

VERTICAL (Cont.)

17—Exchange
20—N. E. State of United States
22—A number
23—Gas
27—Youth
30—Pronoun
32—Point of compass (abbr.)
34—Change
35—Father (short)
37—Lair
38—Terminate
40—A dress material (abbr.)
42—Row
43—Latin (abbr.)
44—Half an em
45—Because
47—Joined
48—Greedy
49—City in Italy
50—Penetrates
52—Taster
53—Produces
54—Light
55—Sheep
56—Girl's name
57—Kitchen utensil
58—Man's name
59—Act
70—Comparative suffix

The solution of the above with a new cross-word puzzle will appear in tomorrow's issue.

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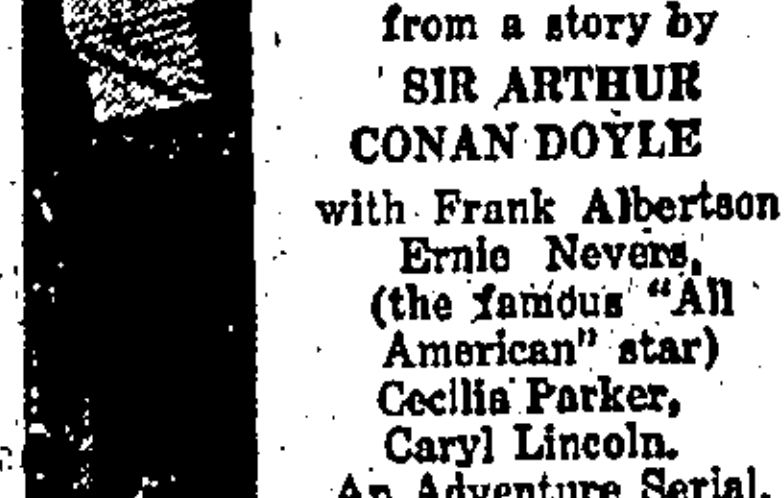
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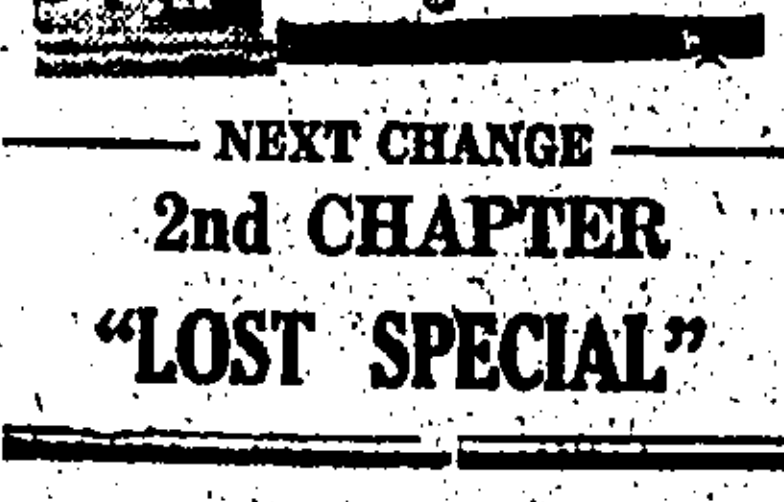
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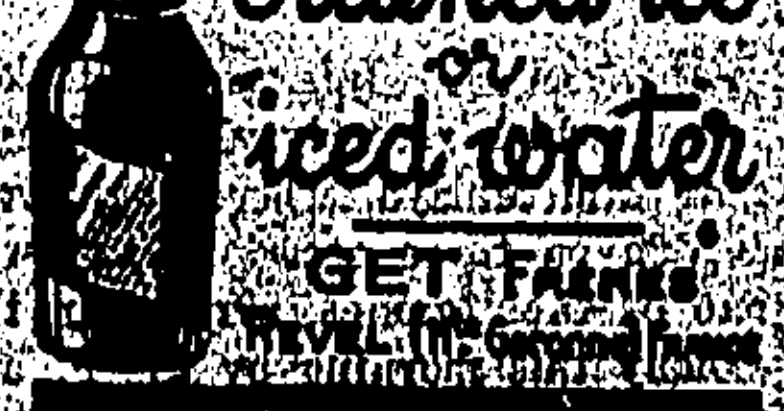


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Amusements Cinema Notes

"THE CITY OF SONG"—KING'S THEATRE

The elusive beauty of Naples, "The City of Song," is well brought out in this A.S.F.I. production, which has the beautiful Italian resort for its background. Throughout the play the presence of Jan Klepura, the "wonder voice of the century," and the star of "Tell Me To-night," is heard and felt.

A tender love story is woven in the film, in which Betty Stockfield, Heather Angel, and Hugh Wakefield are in leading roles.

"GIFT OF THE GAB"—QUEEN'S THEATRE

"Gift of the Gab," a musical comedy of a fast talker who becomes a celebrated news announcer, is Universal's current release now at the Queen's Theatre. Edmund Lowe and Gloria Stuart are starred in the leading roles.

The story is a frame on which to hang clever gags, good songs, and clever dialogue by famous radio and screen stars.

Boris Karloff, Helen Vinson, Gene Austin, Ethel Waters, Phil Baker, Alice White and other noted stars make brief appearances.

"THE LITTLE DAMOZEL"—MAJESTIC THEATRE

"The Little Damsel," now showing at the Majestic Theatre, is a picture based on the famous play by Monckton Hoffe. In this screen version the picture, whose music is written by Noel Coward and Ray Noble, features Anna Neagle and James Rennie.

In the role of a specialty dancer at a night club, Miss Neagle has a part which calls for an expression of an extraordinary dual personality. One, the sweet and sympathetic "damsel," and the other, a light-hearted wise-cracking night club singer and dancer.

"A DANGEROUS AFFAIR"—ALHAMBRA THEATRE

Jack Holt and Ralph Graves, the stars of a number of adventure films, including "Dirigible," are featured again in "A Dangerous Affair," now showing at the Alhambra Theatre.

In this picture Jack Holt, as a police lieutenant, unravels a murder mystery; while Ralph Graves appears as a wise-cracking newspaper reporter who unwittingly starts it all. "A Dangerous Affair" is a novelty in mystery stories because, despite the seriousness of the mystery involved, it often borders on comedy.

Supporting Holt and Graves are Sally Blane, Susan Fleming, Blanche Frederici, Tyler Brooke, Sidney Bracy, Ester Muir, William V. Mong and others.

The story was written by Howard Green, who has adapted many notable screen successes, while Edward Sedgwick is responsible for the direction.

"LITTLE WOMEN"—ORIENTAL THEATRE

RKO-Radio Pictures' dramatization of Louis M. Alcott's 65-year-old classic best-seller, "Little Women," now at the Oriental Theatre, brings to accurate and authentic life all the beloved characters made famous by the author.

Louisa Alcott, who included herself in the story as Jo, one of the Little Women, is interpreted by the brilliant new star, Katharine Hepburn, who heads the cast of 20 principals.

The other Little Women, Meg, Amy and Beth, are interpreted by Frances Dee, Joan Bennett and Jean Parker respectively. All the delightful, lovable characters of the novel walk out of the pages and re-enact this beautiful story about all that is simple, powerful and good in American home life.

"ONCE IN A LIFE TIME"—STAR THEATRE

"Once in a Life Time," Universal's satire on Hollywood, is one of the finest pictures of its kind produced. Unlike "What Price Hollywood" and "Make Me a Star," it never attempts to become a comedy. It stresses the absurdity of trying to be a star in a place where the world believes in the legend that one can be a star.



A group headed by Vice-President Soranzo, seized control of the Bolivian Government at La Paz after President Salamanca had been arrested by troops at the Chaco war front.

B.I. PREPARATIONS

Catalogues Issued In Nine Languages

HUGE FOREIGN CONTINGENT EXPECTED

London, To-day.
Catalogues for the London section of the British Industries Fair, which will open at Olympia and the White City on February 18, are being issued in nine languages, and a large number of buyers from overseas are expected.

The biggest foreign contingent will come from Holland, with Belgium next, but Germany, Denmark, France, and Switzerland will also be well represented. Among the Empire countries, Irish Free State buyers will be the most numerous.

The exhibitions at the Fair, which will occupy six miles as much space as the first fair in 1915, will number 1,550. The engineering and heavy section of the Fair at Birmingham is usually held concurrently with the London section, and will take place this year in the last fortnight in May.—British Wireless Service.

ROYAL HONEYMOON CONCLUSION

Duke And Duchess Of Kent For W. Indies

AT MUNICH AT PRESENT

London, To-day.
It is understood that the Duke and Duchess of Kent contemplate concluding their honeymoon with a cruise to the West Indies.

According to the present arrangements, Their Royal Highnesses will leave England at the end of January, and will be absent for nearly two months. It is expected they will make a short stay at Jamaica, and also visit Barbados and Trinidad.

Full plans for their cruise will not be settled until the return of the Duke and Duchess to London. They are at present at Munich, as guests of Count Teering-Jettenbach, whose wife is the sister of the Duchess.—British Wireless Service.

NATURAL DEATH

66-Year-Old Gael Prisoner

A verdict of death from natural causes was returned by the jury at an inquest held into the circumstances surrounding the death of Taul Kau, a 66-year-old prisoner, who died in the Victoria Gaol, at the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon.

Mr. E. I. Wynne-Jones sat as Coroner while the jury comprised Mr. A. L. Henry (Foreman), Mr. A. S. Gomes and Mr. A. P. Castro.

The case included three stage actors who try to crash the gates of filmdom. The cast included Jack Oakie, Allyn Mackintosh, Louis Fazenda, Gregory Barton, Zasu Pitts, Robert McWade and Jobyna Howland.

BRIDGE NOTES

SQUEEZING DUMMY

by Ely Culbertson.

The squeeze play is ordinarily considered particularly the property of the declarer. Countless contracts at the Bridge table are fulfilled by squeezes, many of them by accident and some by design.

In to-day's hand, played in the Individual Tournament at Croftford's Club, New York, in which 28 of the city's leading experts participated, Mr. Samuel Fry, Jr., and Mr. Oswald Jacoby, defending the hand, had the unusual satisfaction of squeezing the Dummy and thereby defeating a vulnerable contract of two notrump, doubled, three tricks for a 900-point penalty. The

hand was:

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East:—

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H—J 8 5

D—A K 10 4 3

C—10 9

South:—

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RADIO

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME

The following programme will be broadcasted to-day from the Hong Kong Broadcasting Station Z.B.W. on a wave length of 355 metres (845 K.C./s).—

VIOLIN & PIANOFORTE RECITAL FROM THE STUDIO

7.30-8.00 p.m.—Z.B.K. Programme.

8.00-8.30 p.m.—A Relay of the Dance Orchestra from the Hong Kong Hotel Roof Garden (by courtesy of the Management).

8.30-9.00 p.m.—A Relay from the Helena May Institute of the 1st part of the Concert arranged by Madame H. Evells.

9.00-9.30 p.m.—Children's Studio Concert.

9.30-10.00 p.m.—A Relay of the Dance Orchestra from the Hong Kong Hotel Roof Garden (by courtesy of the Management).

10.00-10.30 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quotations, London and New York Stock and Commodity Quotations.

10.30-11.00 p.m.—Light Opera.

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Sporting Page

CLOSELY CONTESTED FINALS IN CHINA FLEET CHAMPIONSHIPS

CORNWALL LOSE TO CLUB AT RUGBY

FORWARDS FAIL WITH SEVERAL CHANGES

ROBERTSON'S GOOD DEFENCE

(By "REFEREE")

A fairly even game with occasional breakaways by the Club three-quarters, featured the friendly rugby encounter between the Club "A" fifteen and H.M.S. Cornwall yesterday, which the former won by four goals and a try (23 points), to a try (3 points).

THE CORNWALL THREE-QUARTERS VERY RARELY SAW THE BALL WHICH WAS SELDOM HEADED FROM THE TIGHT-SCRUMS. THE CLUB BACKS, ON THE OTHER HAND, SAW THE BALL MORE OFTEN, BUT POOR HANDLING AND PASSING ACCOUNTED FOR THE LOSS OF SEVERAL SCORING CHANCES.

Robertson, at the base of the Club scrum, played a very hard game and was excellent in defence, saving the Club line time and again by gathering the ball during a naval rush.

Hunter, who was at full-back, was constantly on the attack for the Club, played a very sound game and kicked a good length ball. He had very bad luck in the second-half when, after fielding the ball, his attempt at a dropped goal from past the 25 just missed its objective by a yard.

Munro showed a good turn of speed on occasions on the right-wing, and combined effectively with Archer, his centre-three-quarter.

Weak Handling

Munro's only fault was that he failed to find touch with several long punts and consequently gave his forwards very little rest in following up the ball.

Gardiner ran hard but was palpably weak in his passing, several of them being too far ahead of their objective.

Goldman on the left-wing lay too far forward and did not watch the ball closely enough. The fault was that he found his inside's pace too short and failed to vary his speed accordingly, consequently when he came to take a pass he found himself almost level with his partner instead of a few yards behind.

Scott, Walkden, Jones and Garrud were the pick of the forwards. Jones worked very hard and on several occasions broke right through the first line of defence only to find himself poorly supported.

Scott and Walkden were brilliant in the lineouts.

Naval Back Shines

Plumley, the naval back, was very good, saving several awkward situations by timely clearances while under pressure.

McCaulay, the right wing-three-quarter, was the most dangerous of the Cornwall backs and showed a clean pair of heels on several occasions. He was, however, very poorly supported and on several occasions was waiting to rid himself of the ball when tackled.

Mrs. Hume the other wing three-quarter, did not see the ball at all, although he was well placed for a try several times.

Middleton at stand-off-half handled very poorly and consequently his backs saw little of the ball, while Sturdy was no match for Robertson.

Atkins, Gallithey, Dibsdale, Copeman and Kelburne were the pick of the forwards, Copeman being especially good in the loose, where, together with Kelburne, he led several promising rushes.

Garrod Opens Scoring

Garrod opened the scoring for the Club when he cut through on his own to score near the posts. Robertson added the points. Soon after, a long pass from Robertson saw Goldman gather to go through for the Club's second try, Castleton converting.

Just before the interval, the Cornwall scored their only points when Goldman missed a pass for McCaulay, the Cornwall right wing-three-quarter, to gather on the run and cross over wide of the posts.

Club Predominant

In the second half, the Club had the better of the exchanges and



Tam Kong Pak, Pote-Hunt, and Fung King Cheong, three probable Colony soccer representatives, will be seen in action in the first Interport Trial on Sunday.

BONAVIA AND COLLEDGE ADD 115 IN LEAGUE

BUT SIGNALS FORCE DRAW

TRIMBLE'S FINE BOWLING

Major Bonavia (89) and Cpl. Colledge (65) were again associated in a three-figure first wicket partnership when the Royal Army Medical Corps were held to a draw by the Royal Corps of Signals in the Army League at Sookunpoo yesterday.

Bonavia hit a six and 13 boundaries, while Colledge hit two sixes and eight boundaries.

Sig May hit a five and nine boundaries in his 55, scored out of 98, while Capt. Trimble, who had 6 for 31, took his last five wickets for 4 runs.

R. A. M. C.			
M. A. Bonavia, b May	89		
Cpl. Colledge, c Smith, b Addis	65		
Morris, c Taylor, b Potesta	15		
Sgt. Lewis, c Taylor, b Potesta	1		
Capt. Trimble, b May	5		
Snook, b Potesta	0		
1/C Goulty, run out	0		
Leigh, b May	0		
Saunders, not out	7		
L/C Meadows, not out	0		
Extras	8		

Total (for 8 wks, dec.) 190
L/C Apps did not bat.
Fall of wickets: 1 for 115; 2 for 140; 3 for 166; 4 for 176; 5 for 182; 6 for 182; 7 for 182; 8 for 185.

Bowling Analysis			
	O.	M.	R.
Battery	5	0	63
Smith	4	0	28
May	7	0	28
Potesta	9	0	31
Taylor	4	0	13
Addis	3	0	19

Signals			
Sgt. Smith, c Bonavia, b Apps	6		
Sign. May, c Lewis, b Trimble	55		
Cpl. Taylor, b May, b Leigh	31		
Cpl. Rafferty, b Trimble	21		
Sign. Mills, not out	8		
Sgt. Williams, b Trimble	7		
Sign. Addis, b May	0		
Sign. Battery, b Trimble	0		
Sgt. Fox, c Colledge, b Trimble	1		
Sign. Potesta, not out	0		
Extras	25		

Bowling Analysis			
	O.	M.	R.
Goulty	19	0	26
Apps	6	0	23
Trimble	9	0	31
Bonavia	3	0	16
Leigh	3	0	12

Total (for 8 wks.) 133
Sign. Oakley did not bat.
Fall of the wickets: 1 for 6; 2 for 98; 3 for 103; 4 for 108; 5 for 123; 6 for 123; 7 for 123; 8 for 133.

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SCHOOLBOYS BEAT UNIVERSITY

Zimmern And Lee Score Half Centuries

At Pokfulam yesterday, the Diocesan Boys' school defeated a University cricket eleven by 91 runs, declaring for the huge total of 178 for 2 wickets in their knock-out, and dismissing the University eleven for 87 runs.

Diocesan Boys' School—178 for 2 (A. Zimmern 58 not out, G. T. Lee 61 not out, W. L. Raper 81).

University—87 (D. Hunt 14, F. L. Ng 14, C. T. Lee 5; for 6, Mr. C. B. D. Sargent 4 for 27).

BADMINTON CLEAN SWEEP FOR RECREIO

Chinese R.C. Trounced In "A" Division

KWOK AND CHOY SECURE LOSERS' ONLY SET

In an uneven game the Club de Recreio overwhelmed the Chinese Recreation Club by 8 sets to 1 in their "A" Division badminton match last night at the former Club.

The scores were:	
M. Oliveira and A. M. Rodrigues (Recreio)	21-0
beat F. H. Kwok and W. C. Choy (21-0)	
beat S. W. Liang and H. D. Woo (21-4)	
beat T. F. Lo and S. Lee (21-4)	
E. de Sousa and H. A. Alves (Recreio)	21-0
beat Kwok and Choy (21-0)	
beat Liang and Woo (21-2)	
beat Lo and Lee (21-1)	
J. J. Remedios and L. A. Carvalho (Recreio)	19-21
lost to Kwok and Choy (21-4)	
beat Liang and Woo (21-12)	
beat Lo and Lee (21-5)	

FIRE BRIGADE WIN OVER V.R.C.

Shute And Gardner In Great Form

In the "B" Division of the Men's Doubles Badminton League, the Fire Brigade beat the Victoria Recreation Club by 6 games to 3 last night.

Shute and Gardner, and Skinner and Fisher, the Brigade's first two strings, played sound badminton to win all their matches.

Scores were:—
E. L. H. Shute and J. Gardner (Fire Brigade) 21-0
beat W. Lawrence and T. Landau 21-0
beat C. M. Xavier and Barros 21-0
Barros 21-0
beat S. A. Ramjahn and J. Soares 21-0
L. D. Skinner and A. L. Fisher (Fire Brigade) 21-0
beat Lawrence and Landau 21-18
beat Xavier and Barros 21-4
beat Ramjahn and Soares (21-0)
H.M.S. Brooks and A. N. Other (Fire Brigade) 21-0
lost to Lawrence and Landau 2-21
lost to Xavier and Barros 19-21
lost to Ramjahn and Soares 11-21

L.G.U. MEDAL PLAY COMPETITION

Mrs. Gilmore And Mrs. Fraser Win

Mrs. Gilmore with a score of 98-16=77, won the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club Ladies' Section L.G.U. Medal Competition (Silver Division), played on the Old Course at Fanling on Tuesday. The prize was presented by Mrs. Wren.

In the Bronze Division of the same competition, Mrs. Fraser with a score of 103-81=72, won the prize presented by Mrs. Lissaman.

Second Kwanti Steeplechase Meeting For Sunday Week

The programme and entries for the second Steeplechase meeting to be held at the Kwanti Race Course on January 20 are as follows:—
1.15 p.m.—The Ladies' Hurdle Race, 2-40 miles. A handicap for China Ponies, born after January 1, 1934, ridden by ladies. Winner—A Cup, 2nd \$30; 3rd \$20. A cup will be presented to the winning rider. Entry Fee \$5.
2.30 p.m.—Happy Hit (129), Hurry On (136), Josephine (138), Marina (138), Racing Flick (147), Racing Strain (148), Lucy Gilfers (185), Macbeth (189), and Mist (190).
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NAVY SURPRISE ARMY IN HOCKEY CLASSIC

First Half Display Decides Game

CAMPBELL AND KARTAR SINGH OUTSTANDING

The Navy caused sensational upset in the first round of the Triangular Hockey Tournament yesterday, when they defeated the Army by 4 goals to 2. In the first half they were the better team and led by 2 goals to 1 at the interval, but in the second period the Army turned the tables, but were unable to score.

Campbell's brilliant display, at right-half for the Navy checked many of the Army's forward movements. He marked Lal Singh brilliantly and the latter was almost helpless, although on a few occasions in the second half he managed to break away.

The Navy have a new "find" in Whitworth, who gave a fine display of stickwork on the left-wing. His reverse stick centring was the outstanding feature of his play. He, however, lacked speed and was easily overtaken by the swift Army halves.

Phillips, the Navy's International left-back, played his usual steady game, but his clearances were, however, lacking in power although they were always very accurate. He was very well supported by Jackson.

Currey's Good Game
The Navy custodian, Baines, was unsteady, and was inclined to get excited when tested.

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INTERPORT HOCKEY TRIAL

Teams Selected For Sunday's Game

The first Interport hockey trial game will take place on Sunday morning on the H.K.S.R.A. Marina Ground, at 10.30 a.m., when Whites will oppose Colours.

Both teams are representative of the best available talent, with a few exceptions. Lieut. Metcali, the brilliant Army back, being an absentee, while Gurbachan Singh, probably the finest centre-forward in the Colony, was excluded from the trial at the request of the Kowloon Indians Tennis Club, who have a Mamak fixture against one of the ships.

C/Sergt. Reekes, who played an excellent game for the Combined Services against the Combined Civilians three weeks ago on the right-wing, will fill Gurbachan Singh's vacancy.

The teams are:—
Whites:—Pte. Hollingsworth (Army); Dr. A. M. Rodrigues (Recreio); E. V. Reed (Club); W. A. Reed (Club); Lieut. Comdr. Newsome (H.M.S. Duchess); L/Naik Alf Din (Army); N. A. E. Mackay (Club); E. R. Divett (Club); Avtar Singh (Radio); Lieut. Lascelles (H.M.S. Hermes); and J. M. Pinto (Incognitos).
Reserves:—Parduman Singh (Radio); T. B. Whitley (C.B.A.) (Forward); Colours:—J. B. Souza (Radio); F. V. Wong (St. Andrew's) and Sepoy Khan Bahadur (Army); J. Gonsalves (Recreio); Naik Dulla Singh (Army) and Parker (Police); H. Owen-Rugles (Club); Lieut. Garthwaite (Army); C/Sergt. Reekes (Army); L/Naik Kartar Singh (Army) and L/Naik Lal Singh (Army).
Reserves:—Lieut. Roliser (Army) (Back); A. S. Bliss (St. Andrew's) (Half); Surtin Singh (Radio) (Forward).

"VAST IMPROVEMENT ON LAST YEAR"

BOY MOSS AGAIN WINS EXCELLENT FIGHT

COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF PRESENT

(By "RINGSIDER")

Some excellent fights were seen at the China Fleet Theatre last night, when the finals of the China Fleet Officers' Novices' and Boys' Boxing Championships were held before a large gathering of officers and men, including His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief, Admiral Sir Frederick Charles Dreyer, K.C.B., C.B.E., Captain Errol Manners, R.N., Chairman of the China Fleet Boxing Association, and Commodore Frank Elliott, R.N.

THE FEATURE OF THE EVENING'S BOXING WAS THE SECOND PART OF THE PROGRAMME, THE FIGHTS BEING VERY CLOSELY CONTESTED AND ONES IN WHICH BOTH BOXERS MIXED IN FREELY. MID. FRENCH WHO WON THE OFFICERS' MIDDLEWEIGHTS AGAINST MID. BAKER FAULKNER, TURNED THE TABLES ON THE LATTER IN THE SECOND AND THIRD ROUNDS AFTER LOOSING THE FIRST ROUND BY A BIG MARGIN.

The best fight of the night was undoubtedly that of Boy Foyster of the Kent and Boy Moss of the Suffolk, who gave a toe-toe exhibition in the final of the Boys' Featherweight. Moss, who it will be recalled, was a former Imperial Services Boy Featherweight champion, had to battle every inch of the way against Foyster, who came a very close second after a game and plucky display against a faster and more experienced boxer.

Another outstanding match of the evening was the Boys' Middleweight in which Boy Sheppard of the Suffolk put up a very plucky showing against a much heavier opponent, and, in spite of taking heavy punishment which sent him down for a short count, came back for more.

The semi-final and final of the Novices' Welterweight also produced very good fighting, the finalists, Mue. Jenkins of the Adventure and St. Irving of the Medway exchanging blows in a "hammer-and-tong" battle, in spite of having gone through very strenuous preliminary bouts.

One of the last bouts of the night the Officers' Welterweight saw some of the hardest hitting of the night, when Pay. Sub. Lieut. Baird, who won the title last year, gained a technical knock-out decision in the second round, punishing Higgins with a devastating straight left followed by a battery of short-arm jabs.

TEN GUNNERS BEAT H.M.S. OTUS

Morris And Thomas Shine For Losers

In spite of playing one man short, in the absence of H. Wilson, the 12th Battery, Lyemun, defeated H.M.S. Otus in a friendly hockey match by 4 goals to 1 at Sookunpoo yesterday.

Three goals were netted through J. Williams, while A. Morris scored for the Navy team. J. Barrett had the misfortune to defect the ball into his own net.

Morris and Thomas, who have played for the H.M.S. Medway eleven on several occasions, displayed good form.

CLUB SENIORS HELD TO DRAW

Fleet Lower Deck Score First

After a goalless first half, the Club seniors shared two goals with the Fleet Lower Deck in their friendly hockey encounter at King's Park yesterday.

The Naval team opened their scoring through Ldg. St. Noble, the inside-right, but it was not long before the Club equalised through Owen-Hughes, their inside-right.

MACAO HOCKEY TEAM BACK FROM STRAITS

The Macao Interport Hockey eleven which recently visited Singapore and Malaya, where they were beaten on three occasions, and won one of their games, arrived in the Colony this morning by the P. and O. Rawalpindi, and left this afternoon for Macao.

SHAREBROKERS BEAT QUEEN'S

Ismail And Esmail Score Freely

COLLEGE OUT FOR 40

Queen's College proved no match for the Hong Kong Sharebrokers' Association eleven in their friendly cricket encounter at Sookunpoo yesterday, losing by 126 runs.

Brokers' Assn.			
S. A. Ismail, c Cassim, b Abbas	27		
R. H. Esmail, c Singh	58		
M. A. Azeem, not out	15		
Y. Esmail, not out	24		
C. Fuxham, b Lee	4		
L. Joseph, c Lee, b Cassim	4		
N. Leonard, b Abbas	19		
L. Weill, c Ismail, b Lee	19		
Extras	9		

Bowling Analysis			
	O.	M.	R.
Lee	6	1	21
Cassim	9	0	50
Azeem	9	0	53
Singh	4	0	22
Abbas	4	0	11

Total (for 6 wks, dec.) 166
A. Kitchell, I. S. Fisher and C. A. L. Rickett did not bat.

Bowling Analysis			
	O.	M.	R.
D. Singh, c Rickett, b Azeem	0		
M. A. Azeem, b Ismail	4		
J. Singh, c Fisher, b Azeem	0		
N. Lee, b Kitchell	0		
A. H. Ismail, c Leonard, b S. A.	0		
Ismail	0		
S. Lee, c Leonard, b Ismail	0		
A. R. Abbas, b Kitchell	15		
S. M. Cassim, b Kitchell	12		
N. Ahmed, c Fuxham, b Kitchell	0		
H. A. Bux, c Joseph, b Ismail	9		
Extras	0		

K.F.C. LEAGUE SOCCER TEAM

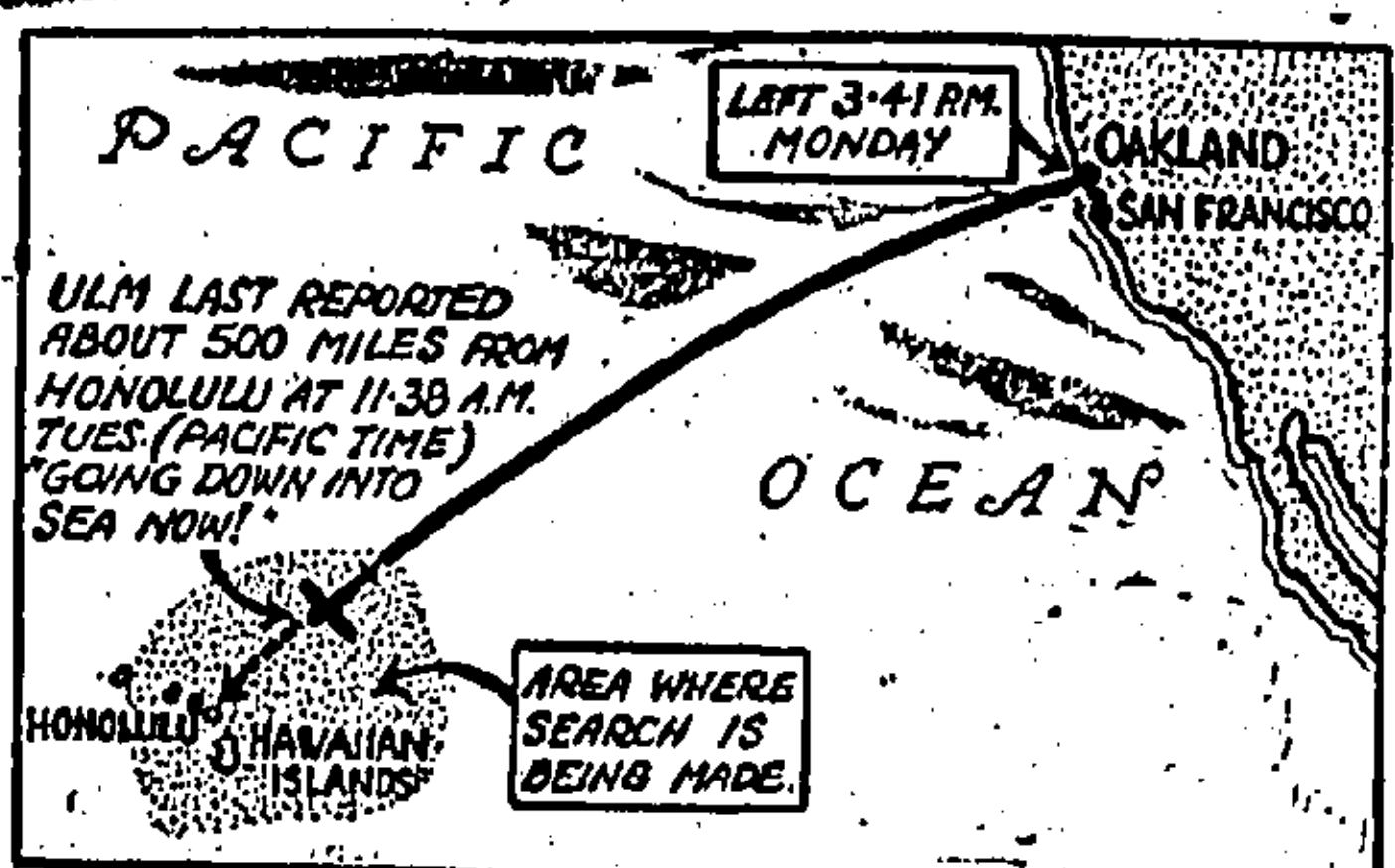
The following will represent the Kowloon Football Club in their First Division match against the Royal Welsh Fusiliers on Saturday at Chatham Road at 4 p.m.

Boys: Eastman (Capt.) and Morrison; Davis, Ellis, and Gilchrist; V. White, Elliott, G. White, Jones, and Knox.

WONDERS OF MODERN WIRELESS ACHIEVED IN AEROPLANES



While ships and planes searched the waters near Honolulu for the plane, "Star of Australia" and its crew of three, little hope was held for the safety of the fliers (left to right), G. M. Littlejohn, Capt. Charles T. P. Ulm and J. A. Skilling. The map shows the route of the lost fliers and the area of the search. The possibility that the plane might float for several days spurred on the searchers.



AIR DEVELOPMENTS IN ALL COUNTRIES AIR-MAIL COMPARISONS OFTEN INCORRECT SPEED NOT SO IMPORTANT AS TOTAL TIME

THERE exists a curious form of patriotism, which views progress made by foreign countries with envy and uneasiness. The latest example of this point of view is to be found in the comments on the recent Melbourne Air Race, in which, in spite of the fact that the first prize was carried off by a British-built and British-piloted machine, we are considered to have shown up badly compared with competitors from other countries.

"NEW YORK'S OWN AIRPORT"

An Impossibility For Central Manhattan
MAYOR LA GUARDIA'S VAIN IMAGINING

Mayor Fiorello La Guardia's claim that, by leasing the North Beach airport of the Curtiss Wright Air Terminal Company on Old Bowery Bay, he has at last got New York an airport of its own, is not so imposing as it seems.

It is rather as if, for reasons of civic pride, the Croydon aerodrome were to be shifted a few miles nearer to London inside the L.C.C. boundary.

It is no more possible to provide Central Manhattan with an airport than it is Central London. The only open space is really Central Park, which would be like making an aerodrome out of Hyde Park.

However, Mayor La Guardia is a master of advertisement. A fortnight ago he was landed at Newark, New Jersey, which is now the New York air terminus. He refused to get out. His ticket said to New York, and inside the State boundary he would go.

So he was flown on to the Floyd Bennett field. It is nearly as far from New York City as Newark, but is inside the boundary.

AVRO "CADETS" POPULAR

Some 300 Avro Cadet machines have been ordered by the Air Ministry from Messrs. A. V. Roe & Co. for our training stations. Over 200 have now been delivered.

Orders for machines for Chile, Belgium, Argentina, China, Estonia, the Irish Free State, and other lands are being completed. Our export of aircraft is thus growing very steadily.

INTERNATIONAL AIR SALON

Germany Shows Some Fine Craft

At the International Air Salon, held last month at the Grand Palais, Paris, Germany showed some wonderfully fast light aircraft, particularly those built by the Heinkel firm, whose constructional skill is most impressive. The Junkers mechanics assembled a huge, three-engined flying boat which was one of the biggest exhibits in the salon. It is a veritable flying liner.

MRS. ULM LOOKS FOR HER HUSBAND

Refuses To Abandon Hope That He Lives

Sydney, December 17.—Refusing to abandon hope for her missing trans-Pacific aviator husband, Mrs. Charles T. P. Ulm to-day chartered the schooner Lanikai, through the British consul at Honolulu, to make a search of months through the reefs and islands from Honolulu to Midway Islands.

Mrs. Ulm is using part of the £5,000 the Australian Government voted her last week.

Ulm and two companions have been missing since they were forced to alight at sea somewhere in Hawaiian waters early on the morning of December 4. They were on the first stage of a survey flight from Oakland to Sydney.—Associated Press.

MAPS TO GUIDE SPEED FLIERS

America's Greatest Air Survey

PLOTTING ENTIRE COUNTRY 16 MILES TO THE INCH

Fliers crossing the continent in 10 hours will soon have at their disposal a new series of department of commerce maps designed especially for high speed flying.

The new "millionth-scale" maps are drawn to a scale of about 16 miles to the inch. Seventeen of them will cover the entire country. They will contain nearly six times as much territory as the present sectional maps, which are drawn to a scale of eight miles to the inch, or one to 500,000.

Since the sectional maps cover a territory about 325 miles east and west by 150 miles from north to south, a pilot in a speed plane has been able to cross in two hours or less the country included in one map.

Work of compiling the sectional maps started three years ago, and only 25 of the 87 contemplated sections have been completed.

Super-Bombers For U.S.

New York.—Simultaneously with the construction of a fleet of Transatlantic aeroplanes for Pan-American Airways, the Glenn L. Martin factory at Baltimore is developing for the military services of the United States super-bombers which are described as "excelling anything hitherto produced in this country." These formidable new machines are high-winged, twin-engine aeroplanes with engines fitted into the leading edge of the wing on either side of the fuselage.

LONG-RANGE TALKS BETWEEN PILOTS PICKING UP MESSAGES AT 5,000 MILES

PLANE FLYING OVER ARABIA PICKS UP DERBY RESULT

SOME remarkable reports have come to hand recently of long-range wireless reception between British air-liners and ground stations, and also between air-liners in flight.

The other day, for example, an amateur operator residing at Victoria West, Cape Province, South Africa, picked up messages sent out by the air-liner "Astraea," of Imperial Airways, when that machine was flying between Alois Star and Singapore, in Malaya. The distance between the aircraft in flight and the station picking up the message was approximately 5,200 miles. The signals from the air-liner, which were routine messages on a short wave-length, transmitted while the machine was making a night flight, were received so well by the amateur at Victoria West that they came through at loud-speaker strength.

BRITISH AIR LINER FOR SPAIN

Highly Economical Type Of Plane

Spain, one of the first countries to buy British aircraft, recently ordered a new type of British twin-engine high-speed air-liner which was due to leave London for Spain during December.

Twenty-five of this type of aircraft have already been sold to eight different countries. The "Rapide," as the air-liner is called, is a 140 miles-an-hour 400 h.p. twin-engine biplane, and with its carrying capacity of five to six passengers, mails, and freight, is claimed to be one of the most economical air-liners in existence.

AIR HISTORY IN THE MAKING

London To Australia

PARIS TO BRINDISI SECTION STILL SERVED BY TRAIN

While the first regular direct air mail, inaugurated on Saturday, December 8, was on its way from London to Australia, the first 'plane in the opposite direction took off from Sydney.

The outgoing liner, the Hengist, carried Christmas parcels for the Duke of Gloucester from the King, the Queen and the Duke and Duchess of Kent. In the 'plane from Australia, were letters from Sir Isaac Isaacs, the Governor-General, to the King, the Viceroy of India and the Governor of the Straits Settlements.

The service from Australia was inaugurated with the despatch of 25,000 letters to Cootamundra (N.S.W.), the centre at which all the Australian air mail is being collected, to be there transferred to a 'plane for despatch through Darwin.

Letters Put On Train

When the Hengist arrived in Paris from Croydon the whole of the Australian mail was transferred to the train for Brindisi. Thence it went on by flying boat for Singapore.

Instead of returning from Le Bourget to England, as is usual, the Hengist continued her journey to Marseilles, carrying only the air mail for India. She had received special permission to fly across France, because she is intended to reinforce the fleet in the Near East for the duplication of services between London and Karachi.

Such long-distance reception is all the more remarkable when the fact is taken into consideration that the air-liner's power-output is only 60 watts.

Not long ago, while one of the aircraft on the Africa air-mail route was flying near Mpika, its operator got into wireless touch with another aircraft on the same route which, at the time, was flying at a point 2,000 miles distant, communication being maintained for several minutes without fading or interference.

Reception At 5,000 Miles

On another occasion, while an Imperial Airways machine was making an aerodrome survey along the route from England to Australia, its operator established communication with the Sydney wireless station at a time when the aircraft was in flight at a point over 5,000 miles from that city.

Another similar instance occurred while tests were being made with an improved type of short-range wireless apparatus, a machine, while flying above the white Nile, between Juba and Kampala, managing to establish communication over a distance of 4,000 miles with a station in England. During the same trials one of the operators, while over Central Africa, picked up and could hear quite plainly a news broadcast from a station at Miami, Florida. Long-range contacts were also established with stations in (Continued on Page 11).

SINO-JAPANESE AIR SERVICE

Tokyo Projects Link With Shanghai

HONG KONG ALSO UNDER CONSIDERATION

Tokyo, Dec. 20.

Linking of Japan with Europe by air-mail routes looms as a possibility for the not-distant future. In connection with a projected Japan-China line, it was learned here to-day.

The Japanese Chamber of Commerce and Industry is considering the promotion of air-mail service from here to Shanghai. At the latter port, it is planned, the route would connect with the projected British and French air-mail services from Europe to China, through India and Singapore.

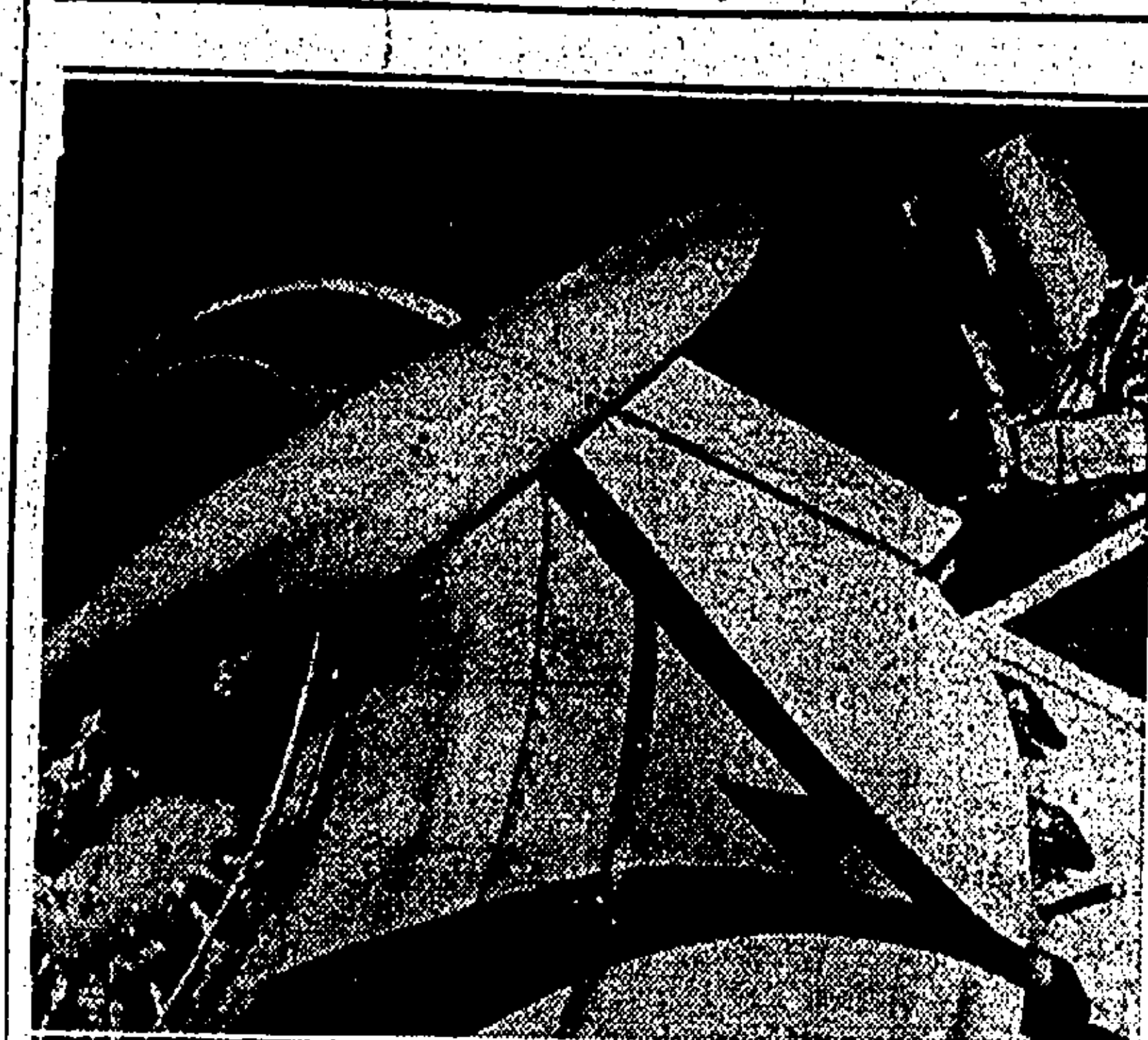
Members of the Chamber pointed out that the combination of air-mail routes should reduce the transit time for mails between Europe and Japan by one-half.

Some of the members, however, advocate connecting the Japan-China line with the European service at Hong Kong, thus providing a better service for Formosa, as well as for Japan.—United Press.

ATLANTIC SERVICE NEXT YEAR

Pan-American Airways, in co-operation with Imperial Airways, will start the Atlantic service next year.

The first stage, however, will only be from the American mainland to Bermuda. Whether the terminus will be New York is not even decided yet, but the stretch of ocean will be less than 1,000 miles. It is doubtful if we shall see more than this accomplished by the end of 1935.



Wearing a weird flying outfit, electrically lined for warmth and with oxygen equipment, Willy Post, famed flier, climbs into his plane at Bartlesville, Oklahoma, for his record-breaking altitude flight.

MONOPLANES FOR R.A.F.

BRITISH DEVELOPING HUGE AIRPORT IN PALESTINE

Major Cumbley In Charge

Jerusalem. Believed to be launching a new British policy to make the Holy Land the aviation key to India and the Far East, a British officer, Major Cumbley, arrived here on December 30 to assume the newly created post of government director of civil aviation.

A site for a huge airport in Palestine is said already to have been selected.—Associated Press.

UNDERCARRIAGE THAT WILL BE RETRACTABLE

Most Efficient Fighters Yet Produced

COMPLETED AT BRISTOL

The R.A.F. is to be equipped with some of the most efficient fighting aeroplanes ever produced. The first of these, just completed at Bristol, embodies ideas and designs never before seen in British warcraft.

The aeroplane is a single-seat day-and-night fighter, well armed. It is a monoplane—one of the first built for British military use since the war.

The retractable undercarriage is used for the first time on R.A.F. craft—the wheels draw up into the body when the aeroplane is flying, reducing wind resistance and so increasing speed.

In appearance the machine is similar to the latest American warplanes, which are said to have a speed of nearly 300 m.p.h.

Satyrus and the Sylvanus. They have accommodation for sixteen passengers and a crew of four, a Captain, a First Officer, a Wireless Operator and a Steward. Meals are served on board.

THIRTY TIMES ROUND THE WORLD

Mediterranean Flying Boats' Record

Imperial Airways report that the Scipio flying-boats used on the Mediterranean section of the Africa route and India and Eastern route, that is between Brindisi and Cairo, completed at the end of October 750,000 miles flying, or roughly 30 times round the world.

There are three flying-boats in this class, namely, the Scipio, the

CATHCART-JONES' RECORD

WRITES AND FINISHES BOOK IN SEVEN DAYS

Aviation Memoirs Of Record-Breaker

CHINA COAST MEMORIES

Lieut. Owen Cathcart-Jones, the airman, has just produced a book, "Aviation Memoirs" (Hutchinson, 12s. 6d.). He has many claims to fame, chief among them being his record-smashing performance with Ken Waller in the flight to Melbourne and back.

He was the first pilot to make a deck landing on an aircraft carrier at night, a feat that requires the highest degree of judgment.

He broke the record for a flight to the Cape with the late Commander Glen Kildston, R.N., to whom the book is dedicated.

And here is another high-speed performance. He wrote his 30,000-word book in seven days. It was commissioned on November 19, and was in the hands of the printers on the 25th.

The Captain's Misadventure

Here is an amusing incident of life aboard the aircraft carrier Hermes on her way to China.

It is the custom in the Navy when the captain goes ashore in his barge to pipe him away with ceremony and to pipe him back on his return.

On one occasion the captain went ashore in the Grecian Islands. (Continued on Page 11.)

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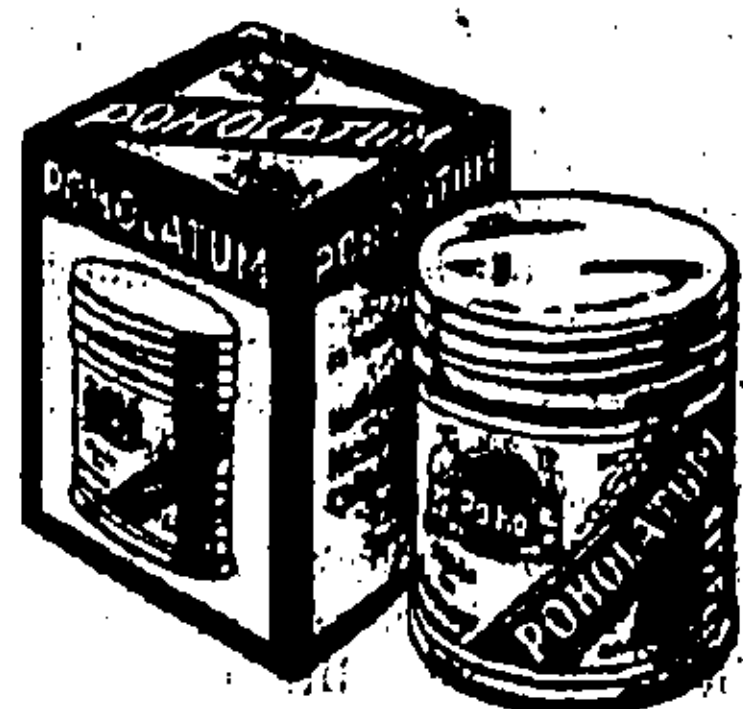
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The China Mail

Hong Kong, Thursday, Jan. 10, 1935.

Ruthlessness In Russia

The Red Czarism has its own
Inquisition. More than two hun-
dred persons have been summarily
shot in vengeance for the murder
of Kirov, including the mother of
the assassin, a woman of 85 years.
At the same time we have M. Litvinov (alias
Finkelstein) personally assuring
the League of Nations at Geneva
that the struggle for the Marx-
ian ideal is a negation of terror-
ism, which the Soviet has per-
sistently opposed. Fanatics of
this class have neither consis-
tency nor humour. When Char-
lotte Corday killed Marat, who
had instigated unceasing blood-
shed, the Republican journalist
who succeeded him cried out for
still greater massacres. "In order
to teach these Royalists the sac-
redness of human life." Doubtless
the present rulers of the Russia
are inspired by the same exalted
ideal. Yet the lesson seems to
take a surprisingly long time,
having lasted already nearly
as many years as the French
blood-letting lasted months, and
having caused destruction on an
incomparably larger scale. It is,
indeed, as some even of our own
doctrinaires delight in remark-
ing, an interesting experiment.
Nor is there any promise of an
end being reached. The Minister
for War, M. Voroshiloff, has just
given the Moscow garrison his
"sacred word of honour" (a sur-
prisingly bourgeois phrase, by
the way) that "within a few
months, all the enemies of Stalin
in Soviet Russia will be under
the earth"—regardless, appar-
ently, of whether they give pre-
text or not.

From the death of Kirov and
the shocking reprisals which have
followed it, several reflections
arise. The first and most ob-
vious is that no system of rule
exempts a community from such
occurrences. Monarchs—absol-
ute, or constitutional, dictators,
presidents of republics—all have
at times furnished victims for
dagger or revolver. Nor can any
protection, avail for ever against
reckless and desperate assault.
The Red Czar is guarded as the
White Czar never was, yet in a
country like Russia as at present
administered not even Stalin can
feel too secure, and he would not
think for a moment of showing
himself freely in public. Lenin
was thought to be adequately
shielded, too, yet the bullets of
an enemy reached him, and the
wounds thus caused are thought
to have shortened his life. Re-
collection of that incident brings
to mind the greatest of all the
lessons attaching to such events—
the futility of assassinating in
itself. The death of Lenin alone

would not have ended Leninism.
Unless it has other aids which
make it but a beginning instead
of an isolated fact, assassination
has no chance of upsetting a
regime of any kind whatever.
Tenure of rule nowadays is
settled beyond all dispute by the
attitude and conduct of a coun-
try's armed forces. If these
stand by the Government, it can
defy its opponents. The time
has gone, probably for ever, in
which a discontented populace
could rush out into the streets
and with rapidly improvised
weapons overthrow a dynasty or
a party. Modern invention has
given truly terrible powers to
those who hold the means of
using them, and so long as the
masters of Moscow can retain the
allegiance of the Red Army, they
can count themselves secure and
can spill as much blood as it
pleases them.

If Yugoslavia had split only a
tenth as much in blind revenge
for the murder of her King, what
an outcry there would have been
from holders of "advanced"
opinions all over the earth. The
same people, however, will have
it is safe to assert, little or
nothing to say concerning the
Red terror in Russia. They
have condoned, not condemned,
it from the outset. The contrast
afforded by their attitude com-
pletes a nauseating picture. No
true lover of liberty would accept
their assistance of a moment.
The Right and the Right Centre,
which approve of neither Com-
munism nor Fascism, have along
the right to denounce either.
But the Left, which refuses to
see that Fascism is but the sore-
ly provoked reaction against the
far worse excesses of Commun-
ism, deprives its own protests of
all sincerity. Its members de-
plore the Nazi mentality which
frowns on the memory of inter-
nationally-minded Goethe; but
have no fault to find with the
mental tyranny of Bolshevism,
which despises Tolstol. They
shriek to heaven over Hitler's
killings, numbered only in scores,
but are dumb in face of the
Soviet's slaughtering, numbered
in millions. The reason is, of
course, that they do not see they
still like to pretend, object to
tyranny in itself. On the con-
trary, they like it, if only it be
exercised by some section that
calls itself Left. To prove some
radical theory, they are perfectly
willing to see millions starved and
slain. Russia, as an object-
lesson, has demonstrated, among
much else, the utter heartless-
ness of "cranky intellectuals" who
profess humanitarianism. Plain
folk, who profess little more than
honesty and common sense, have
no wish for such allies.

One case of diphtheria and one
case of small-pox were reported in
the Colony during the 24 hours end-
ing January 8.

HERE, THERE and EVERYWHERE

MAGNIFICENT MACE

Members of Parliament are in-
terested in a mace which has been
for some time on exhibition in the
library of the House of Commons.
It is a fine example of craftsman-
ship, and dates back to 1781.

It is the mace of the Legislative
Council of the Island of Grenada,
southernmost of the Windward Is-
lands.

The mace was sent to this coun-
try for repairs, which have now
been made. It is larger and more
ornate than the mace which is car-
ried in the Speaker's procession at
Westminster.

MR. MAXTON'S JERSEY

When Mr. James Maxton, M.P.,
spoke in the North of Scotland re-
cently his chairman was a fisher-
man in a jersey.

Mr. Maxton admired the jersey.
The fisherman's wife offered to knit
one for him. Mr. Maxton said he
would be glad to buy it.

The jersey arrived: it fitted like
a glove.

Mr. Maxton admired it in the
artificial light and laid it aside to
wear next day.

In the morning it was revealed
in its true colour. It was black.
Mr. Maxton's courage failed him.
He gave it to a friend.

When he was again in Scotland
Mr. Maxton told the story of the
jersey.

The other day another jersey ar-
rived. It was blue.

Your Daily Smile!

Defendant: "Whatever the outcome
of this trial, I feel sure the experience
will make me a better man."

Judge: "In what way?"

Defendant: "In striving to live up
to the speech made by my Counsel."

First American Tourist to Second

(both members of one of the con-
ducted—Poppy Tours, doing Europe, by
schedule): "Is this Rome or Florence?"

Second: "Is this Thursday or Fri-
day?"

First: "Friday."

Second: "Then it's Rome."

Not Her Prerogative.

John and his sister Mary were argu-
ing. Mary was winning on points.

"Why are you always telling me
what to do," asked John. "I'm not
your husband."

Hatching.

Clever Man: "What wonderful pro-
gress has been made in flying. Men
can do anything but can do."

Bored Listener: "Is that so? Well,
when you see an aviator sitting on an
egg, tell me, and I'll come and have
a look."

Personal Pars

Mr. S. Balfour and Mrs. A. Bal-
four arrived in the Colony from
Shanghai this morning by the s.s.
Talyo Maru.

Mr. Carl N. Wernitz, President of
the Academy of Fine Arts, Chicago,
and Mrs. Wernitz were passengers
aboard the s.s. Asama Maru, which
sailed from here yesterday.

Mr. Denys Reiss, Manager of
Messrs. Reiss, Massey and Company,
accompanied by his wife and chil-
dren, left the Colony yesterday by
the s.s. Asama Maru.

Dr. Harukichi Tamura, President
of the Medical University, Nagoya,
Japan, was a passenger by the s.s.
Asama Maru, which left here yester-
day.

Mr. W. H. E. Thomas, Sub-Man-
ager of the Chartered Bank of India,
Australia and China, accompanied
by Mrs. Thomas, left the Colony yester-
day by the s.s. Asama Maru.

Mr. Gould Dietz, the American
delegate to the Red Cross Conference
held recently in Japan, and Mrs.
Dietz, passed through the Colony on
board the s.s. Asama Maru, which
sailed for San Francisco yesterday.

SANITARY INSPECTOR ROBBED

Sanitary Inspector G. W. Bowden
of No. 4 Cox's Road, Kowloon, re-
ports that between Monday and yester-
day morning \$90 was stolen from
a box in his bedroom. No arrests
have yet been made.

BRIDGEWATER LEAVES

H. M. S. Bridgewater, the stoop
which has been recommissioned
for service on the South African
Station, left Hong Kong this morn-
ing for Cape Town via Ladbas.

CHARM--WHAT IS ITS SECRET?

PERSONS OF ANY AGE
MAY POSSESS IT

NOT TO BE CONFUSED WITH
SEX-APPEAL

(By Gilbert Frankau)

London.
IT was one of Barrie's heroines
who complained, very charmingly,
that whereas some women had
charm for everybody and most
women had charm for somebody, she
herself appeared to have charm for
nobody.

And it was Thomas Hardy who
wrote the poem which begins:
*Never a careworn wife but shows,
If a joy suffice her,
Something beautiful to those
Patient to pursue her;
Some one charm the world un-
knows,
Precious to a miser.
Happily what, ere years were fies,
Moved her mate to choose her,
But neither poet nor playwright,
you will observe, does much to
elucidate the mystery of a charac-
teristic which is neither altogether
mental, nor altogether spiritual, nor
altogether physical. It is, in fact,
a blend of all three.*

Charm In Old Age

One of the most charming women
I know, for instance, is a little old
lady who just remembers the Indian
Mutiny and with whom one can only
just hold a consecutive conversation.

As another example of this charm
in the aged I can mention to you an
aunt of mine who died two years
ago at the age of 70, and whose
salon is still remembered regretfully
by all of us—and there were very
many of us—who frequented it.

These and similar instances of
charm, I always imagine, are due to
the interest which the best type of
old people display towards the young.
In the company of such women one
feels that one's own acts, or it may
be only one's own feelings, are of
paramount importance. This is, of
course, supremely selfish.

But then most of us—only we are
so afraid of admitting it—are pri-
vately concerned with our own
affairs.

Now let us descend the feminine
charm-scale a decade or so and con-
sider what we will call the middle-
aged woman. Here, too, I fancy,
charm springs mainly from unselfish-
ness.

We may say about any middle-
aged woman that we like her be-
cause she is always so well turned
out, or because she is so intelligent,
or because she has such a mar-
vellous sense of humour, or because
she gives such wonderful parties, or
merely because she is so well pre-
served. But what we actually mean
is that she goes out of her way—
whether consciously or unconscio-
usly—to make us feel happy when we
are with her.

This again may sound a little bit
selfish; but it seems to me none the
less, correct for that.

And now, finally, in so far as the
female sex is concerned, let us con-
sider this characteristic of charm in
those who are young. But what-
ever we do, do not let us consider
this particular characteristic as
having anything to do with that
other characteristic which the out-
-of-date 1920's knew as "It."

For between "sex-appeal" and
charm-appeal there is all the differ-
ence in the world.

Sex-appeal Not Charm
I know many actresses, especially
actresses for the films, who spend
hours and hours in the attempt to
cultivate the former appeal. Nor is
it at all difficult, as any sophis-
ticated young woman will tell you, for
any young woman, granted only a
tolerable basis of physical attraction,
to crown such attempts with at least
some measure of success.

But sex-appeal seldom inspires
men to great deeds or women to
great unselfishness. It is, at its
best, a tawdry appeal.

Whereas the charm-appeal is the
precise opposite—a call and a sum-
mons and a challenge to all that is
noblest in a woman's nature and to
all the poetry a man is capable of
feeling towards what is still—how-
ever much certain women would
have it to the contrary—the weaker
sex.

When a man speaks of a girl or
a young woman as "charming," he
does not necessarily imply that he
intends to marry her, or even that
he wants to kiss her. He does not

necessarily mean that he finds her
either extremely beautiful, or ex-
tremely clever, or supremely good.
What does he mean then? His
meaning, I think, is, "This particu-
lar young woman makes me
think better of women generally.
She increases my admiration for
human nature. She is a pleasure
to me in the same way that my
favourite pieces of music or my
favourite pictures or my favour-
ite books are a pleasure to me."

Charm, in a woman of any age,
inspires both admiration and de-
votion. It inspires kindness. It
does not at first contact inspire
that particular blend of the men-
tal and physical emotions which
we call, for want of a better name,
love.

Therefore, in 90 cases out of
every 100 when one hears the
epithet "charming" one hears it
applied about a child!

Charm In Both Sexes

I have not so far dealt, except
cursorily, with the charm men ex-
ercise over women. And not at
all with the charm which both
men and women exercise over
their own sex. But in all such
cases, I am certain, charm is the
same blend of the mental, the
spiritual and the physical.

Let the mere male, therefore,
sum up his opinions on this pecu-
liar quality of charm in the op-
posite sex by stating, as every
mere male usually ends by stating,
the particular attributes which he
finds charming, and with which he,
given the fabulous chance of the
good fairy, would endow a "Prin-
cess Charming" at her birth.

My princess in question, then,
would not be dazzlingly beautiful
of countenance. She would "not
possess one of those figures which
send dressmakers and moving pic-
ture directors into ecstasies. She
would not be a great poetess, a
great painter, a great musician, or
even a great actress. In fact
there would be nothing great
about her at all.

She would be just an ordinary
young woman, ordinarily attrac-
tive in face and figure, ordinarily
careful about her appearance, ordi-
narily intelligent, ordinarily
healthy, and ordinarily capable of
managing the ordinary everyday
affairs.

But whatever she did my prin-
cess would do with a smile. What-
ever she had to bear she would
bear with philosophy. And—most
vital of all—whatever she thought
she would never think, "I am the
only person in the world who mat-
ters."

For the only people who are
quite devoid of charm, whether
men or women, are those who
never smile, who possess no phi-
losophy, and who are entirely self-
centred. Yet even such are worth
observing—if only to enhance our
own opinion of our charming
selves.

HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR CANADA

Sir Francis Floud Takes Up His Duties

London, To-day.
Sir Francis Lewis Castle Floud,
K. C. B., left London yesterday
morning to take up his duties as
High Commissioner in Canada for
His Majesty's Government in the
United Kingdom. Sir Francis was
appointed last year—British Wire-
less Service.

EARL OF PLYMOUTH PATING VISIT TO W. AFRICA

London, to-day.—The Earl of Ply-
mouth, Under-Secretary for the
Colonies, accompanied by Mr. Cressy
of the Colonial Office, left London
yesterday on a visit to the West
African Colonies—British Wireless
Service.

The first pictures of the wedding of
the Duke and Duchess of Kent will be
shown at the Queen's Theatre on Sun-
day. In conjunction with "Outcaste"
Lady, featuring Constance Bennett.

NEW SITE FOR WEST POINT GASOMETERS

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(c) No further action has been taken in the meantime pending the receipt of a reply to this enquiry.

II.—(a). Has the Government under consideration, and, if not, will the Government consider, the question of making Hong Kong a port of call in connection with the reported air service between Canton and the United States of America?

(a) The Government has no information regarding this proposal but the matter will not be overlooked should it appear that the proposed service is likely to materialise.

(b) What steps, if any, have been taken with a view to linking Hong Kong with the great air routes of the world; and, if the matter is under consideration, when are such connections expected to be effected?

(b) Negotiations are proceeding, but the Government is not yet in a position to make a statement.

III.—Arising out of the remarks made by two unofficial members at a meeting of this Council on September 27, 1934, that the advantage of Hong Kong as a winter resort have not been sufficiently advertised, will the Government state:—

(a) Whether and, if so, what consideration has been given by the Government to this matter since that meeting was held?

(b) Whether the Government will appoint a Committee for the purpose of suggesting means of giving greater publicity to such advantages?

3.—Since the meeting of this Council to which the Honourable Member refers the Government has had the advantage of learning the views of the Economic Commission on this subject as expressed in an interim report. It is proposed shortly to appoint a Committee to investigate the possibility of increasing the Tourist Traffic of Hong Kong.

Loss Of Stamp Duty To Colony

The Hon. Mr. J. P. Braga asked the following questions:—

1.—Are sale and purchase contracts and/or debit notes for shares of all Companies operating outside the Colony, but dealt in in this market, treated alike for purposes of stamp duty? If the reply to this question be in the negative, what is the differentiation and on what grounds is the differentiation justified?

1.—The answer is in the affirmative.

2.—Is the Colonial Treasurer in a position to state approximately the value in Hong Kong currency of the business carried on, since January 1, 1934 to June 30, 1934, by brokers on exchanges outside the Colony whose contracts and/or debit notes are exempt from stamp duty?

2.—The answer is in the negative.

3.—If the volume of the business referred to in Question 2 is ascertainable, will the Honourable Member inform the Council what would have been the estimated amount of stamp fees derivable therefrom if the transactions had been liable to payment of stamp fees on the scale chargeable to shares of Hong Kong Companies?

3.—In view of the answer to question 2, this question does not arise.

4.—Is it the opinion of Government that the operations by brokers in Hong Kong on exchanges outside the Colony do divert dealings in shares of local Companies; and if they do, does not the revenue of the Colony suffer by reason of the diversion from local to foreign exchanges through a diminution in stamp duty collections in respect of share contracts and/or debit notes?

4.—Government is not in a position to say to what extent, if any, operations by brokers in Hong Kong on exchanges outside the Colony divert dealings in shares of local Companies. Share dealings and investments are governed by the demand or requirements of each particular buyer or investor. A man with money to invest may choose as he pleases and buy local or other investments as his fancy dictates. The revenue of the Colony, however, does not suffer as all contract notes issued by brokers in Hong Kong must be stamped.

5.—For the benefit of the revenue of the Colony, has the attention of Government been directed to the necessity for rectifying an existing anomaly that, while dealings in shares of local Joint Stock

Companies are subject to stamp fees, certain foreign Companies enjoy immunity from such taxation?

5.—If the Honourable Member means immunity from stamp duty on contract notes, there is no anomaly as such attract duty whether the company is registered locally or abroad. Transfer fees on shares of companies registered abroad are naturally not charged on transactions in Hong Kong.

It is assumed that in the Honourable Member's questions the expression "debit note" is used in its local sense, the term "debit note" being used locally for cash transactions, whilst the term "contract note" is used for other than cash transactions. Legally the two terms have the same meaning.

Construction Bill

The Hon. Mr. R. H. Henderson, Director of Public Works, in moving the first reading of a Bill intitled "An Ordinance to amend and consolidate the law relating to the Construction of Buildings," said:—

"The present Public Health and Buildings Ordinance was enacted almost 32 years ago and at that time provided for substantial improvement in the matter of light and air and sanitation upon the hitherto existing Ordinance.

"Since that date, and more particularly in recent years, in order to conform more nearly to accepted modern standards, it has been found necessary to make numerous amendments in relation to both sanitation and constructional matters.

"The existing Ordinance, as the title indicates, deals both with Public Health and the construction of buildings. It has now been considered desirable that these services should be dealt with under a number of separate Ordinances.

Complete Revision

"In the Bill under consideration opportunity is taken to revise, throughout, the building laws of the Colony.

"The proposals in draft form were submitted to a Body of Architects for comments. The criticisms of this Body were carefully considered and amendments were made, the individual members signifying their general approval of the final draft.

"Particular regard is paid to the requirements of open space in the light of modern hygienic practice, and it will be appreciated that, although sacrifices are required, these are not greater than are deemed essential to place the city on a basis comparable with the minimum.

ARE YOU A TAP DANCER?

Here Is Your Chance To Learn The Art

WORLD'S GREATEST MASTER GIVES FREE LESSONS

Have you an ambition to shine as a tap dancer? If so, now is your chance to learn from the world's greatest exponent of the art, Harold LeRoy, dancing star of "Harold Teen," which is due at the Alhambra Theatre on Sunday.

The China Mail has arranged with Warner Bros., the producers of this hilarious comedy, to let their star teach you his technique for one routine—which, means the steps of a particular dance—in six illustrated lessons, easily understood, and quickly learned. Two lessons will appear daily until the series is completed.

LeRoy, a dancing wizard, was star of the Ziegfeld Follies, "Strike Me Pink," "The Gang's All Here" and other Broadway musical shows before starring in the picture "Harold Teen."

The "Harold Teen Hop," the name Mr. LeRoy has given: the group of dance steps he will teach, is taken from the dance he uses in the films. Each step is described in detail, illustrated by poses of the famous dancer, showing the position of the feet, hands and body for each of the movements.

Despite his youth—he is only 20—and his success, LeRoy takes his work very seriously. To him a dance routine requires as careful planning and as much thought as the outlines of an artist's canvas or the plot of a novel.

So, study and practice these lessons and then go and watch the star himself at the Alhambra on Sunday.

requirements of other cities. The principle, recognised in the existing Ordinance No. 1 of 1903, of sympathetic treatment for lots purchased prior to that Ordinance, is retained. Sections Nos. 81 to 86 of the Bill deal with this subject.

"In Sections 87 and 88 important revisions are proposed in the matter of heights of buildings. The principal feature of these sections is the general reduction in height of the wall plate level and the compensating increase in the maximum height of the roof line. These revisions permit of improved lighting to streets and open spaces without causing reduction in the subcell contents of buildings. As in the case of open space, sympathetic consideration is given to buildings on lots leased prior to 1903.

Fire Danger

"The preservation of life from danger of fire is considered in the framing of Sections 43, 44 and 45, which call for the provision of fire resisting staircases, lift shafts and fire-escapes.

"A revision has been made in the sections dealing with verandahs and balconies, Nos. 60 and 61.

"A limiting angle has been introduced which will restrict the number of verandah storeys permissible and which will control the projections of balconies.

"Generally speaking the effect will be the elimination of verandahs on the upper storeys of high buildings hereafter erected, but balconies of greater projection than hitherto will be permissible.

"The tendency will be to dispense with verandah piers from all new buildings erected on streets less than 75 feet wide. On these streets, balconies in the lower storeys will be permissible with a projection extending to the line of the kerb.

"Although there are many other minor alterations, the remainder of the Bill substantially follows the existing Ordinance.

"With these remarks, Your Excellency, I beg to move the first reading of this Bill.

CHEAP CREDIT TRIUMPHS

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A world recovery is impossible without a European recovery, which, in turn, is dependant upon the successful progress of European peace.

The task of allaying German suspicion regarding the recent Franco-Italian amity has been given to Great Britain.

Hints are in circulation in England that as a result of the American tin investigation an agreement may be effected whereby America will be supplied with tin in return for accommodation regarding the war debt.

JAN KIEPURA SIGNS WITH PARAMOUNT

Jan Kiepura, star of "Tell Me To-night," has signed a term contract with Paramount and his first picture has been tentatively titled "Two On A Tower." This picture will co-star Mary Ellis, noted opera star, and will be directed by Louis Milestone.

To-day's Short Story.

Mess Of Pottage

By Diana Seward Cordner

JAMES sat in the big armchair by the fire, his magazine on his lap, his slippers feet resting on the brass curb. On the little table at his side were two dictionaries, an encyclopaedia, and some glycerine and honey. His cough was still troublesome.

"I'm going now, James," Alfreda spoke quietly and wondered how James could fail to read the finality in those words.

He looked up from his crossword puzzle, and for a brief moment his eyes rested on his wife's white face, with its trembling lips and unnaturally bright eyes. As usual, he saw her without seeing.

"Going, my dear? Have a good time."

"Good-bye, James."

But James had already returned to his puzzle. His face wore the look of abstraction that Alfreda had grown to hate. With her hand on the handle of the door she gave a long look at the familiar room, and then, with a little sigh, she turned and went out, shutting the door on James and her past.

Once outside she walked quickly, afraid lest some invisible cord of memory or sentiment should lasso and drag her back to the mockery and dreary monotony of her life as the wife of James.

The omnibus she boarded at the end of the road had its usual morning freight of women shoppers. They stared at Alfreda as women will, noting her shoes, her hat, and lastly her face. She felt guilty and was conscious of blushing.

What would they think, these dutiful wives and daughters, if they could know she was leaving her husband, not for another man (they might have understood that), but leaving him solely to regain that precious freedom and independence that had been hers before she sold her birthright for a mess of pottage?

For that is how Alfreda had come to regard her marriage. It had seemed such a wonderful thing to be the wife of James, the sharer of his life, the mother of his children, and she had thought nothing too precious to be sacrificed for the realisation of that dream, and so she had married him.

For a little while her dream had lasted, and then she had one day awakened and seen that all she had secured was a place in James' house, not a place in his life. There had been no children to demand her love and care, but only a monotonous round of household duties... a mess of pottage.

She thought of the letter she had left for James, and wondered without regret or emotion what he would do when he had read it. It had taken her a long while to write, for she did not want to hurt him more than was necessary.

She supposed he would be a little hurt. One became used to one's background and missed a familiar

piece of furniture. He had come to rely on her as he relied on his morning paper, his watch, and dictionary.

She had carefully weighed each word, and now she knew her letter by heart. She recited it mentally in the omnibus, trying to put herself in James' place.

"This letter is to say good-bye. I have gone, not for a day, but always. I want you to forget me and to put me out of your life. That won't be very difficult, James, because I have never really been part of it—only part of your background. We ought never to have married. You wanted a housekeeper and I—but it doesn't matter now what I wanted. I know that you could never have given it to me. It is nothing you have done, James, only the thousand and one little things that you have left undone."

TO-MORROW'S STORY

To-morrow's story will be "Nearly 'uman," by F. W. Brooke.

This will come as a shock to you, but you will get over it. You will get a housekeeper who will give you all that for these last years you have ever wanted from me. I am not going to any other man. I have never loved anyone but the man I once thought you were. It is not your fault that you are not that man, James. Please do not, from a mistaken sense of what is fitting, try to find me. I have always hated patchwork....

The omnibus stopped at the terminus and Alfreda climbed down and made her way up the station approach.

James would not understand that last sentence, but it didn't really matter. He would not understand anything but the bare fact that she had left him. James, who was always working out puzzles, would not even try to discover why she had left him.

Alfreda secured a porter and collected her luggage from the cloakroom. She found a compartment with one other woman. She wished now that she had thought to buy a magazine, but the paper boy was at the far end of the platform and there was no time to spare.

When the train started she relaxed. The first stop was Bellminster, her destination. Now definitely she had broken the cord that had attached her to her life as the wife of James. With the swift movement of the train and the rapidly receding landscape, realisation came to Alfreda, and with it the first tiny whisperings of regret—not for the James she had left, but for that other James who had lived and died in the romantic heart of a girl of twenty-two, yet who, somehow, had

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COLONY DANCING IS OF HIGH STANDARD

Third Heat Reveals
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CHAMPIONSHIP FINALISTS

The third heat of the Local Dancing Championship was held in the Roof Garden of the Hong Kong Hotel yesterday. Although there was a record-breaking attendance only six couples entered the contests. The two competition dances were a Fox Trot and a Waltz. One couple was selected by the judges, Ursula and Andrew, and the other by popular vote.

The results were:—
Judges' decision—Mr. J. Coulter and Miss D. Hunt, Popular Vote—Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Ling.

All six dancers in the heat displayed remarkable talent keeping time accurately. No intricate steps were attempted, the dancers concentrating more on style and rhythm. Both the Fox Trot and Waltz were danced equally well.

By special request Ursula and Andrew demonstrated the Ballroom Waltz and the Tango.

In an interview later Mr. Andrew said he thought that the standard of dancing in the Colony was very high indeed.

ST. GEORGE'S BALL

Dance Programme
Announced

The following is the Dance Programme for St. George's Ball, which will be held at the Peninsula Hotel at 9.30 p.m. to-morrow:

9.10 Fox Trot—Love Thy Neighbour.
9.20 Fox Trot—With my eyes wide open I'm dreaming.
9.30 Interval for Reception of H.E. The Governor.

9.45 Lancers.
10.05 Waltz—The Shadow Waltz.
10.20 Fox Trot—Let's Fall in Love.
10.35 Fox Trot—Cocktails for Two.
10.50 Fox Trot—All I do is dream of you.

11.05 Waltz—Speak to Me of Love.
11.20 Fox Trot—She didn't say "Yes."
11.35 Fox Trot—Little Man You've had a busy day.

BEARD PULLED

\$15 Fine Sequel To
Assault On P.C.

"I just laid my hand on his beard," said Cheng King, an unemployed hawk who was charged with assaulting Police Constable No. B703, by pulling his beard, and hawking cigarettes without a licence, when he appeared before Mr. E. I. Wynne-Jones at the Central Magistracy this morning.

Sub-Inspector Dredge stated that yesterday the constable saw defendant making the cigarettes and selling them to passers-by. When arrested he refused to go to the police station, and attempted to release himself from the grip of the constable.

On the way to the station he again attempted to escape and assaulted the constable by pulling his beard. On arrival at the station there were tears in the constable's eyes.

Defendant was fined \$15 in default three weeks' in gaol on the charge of assault, and \$4 or five days' imprisonment on the second charge.

A carpet claimed to be the largest one in a single-piece in the world, has just been finished in London. It measures 23 feet 6 inches by 14 feet 6 inches, and it is valued at £2,000. The carpet was woven by English girls on Irish linen with Scotch wool, and it took two hundred-weights of wool to complete it.

11.50 Waltz—Am I wasting my Time on You?
12.05 Fox Trot—It's Only a Paper Moon.
12.20 Fox Trot—Carioca (Rumba).
12.35 Fox Trot—Why do I dream these Dreams?
12.50 Waltz—The Blue Danube Waltz.
1.05 Fox Trot—The Night was made for Love.
1.20 Fox Trot—Love in Bloom.
1.35 Fox Trot—Hold my Hand (Rumba).
1.50 Waltz—Don't Say Goodnight.
2.05 Fox Trot—Everything I have is Yours.
2.15 Fox Trot—I'll String along with you.
"God Save The King."
Supper will be served from 11.50 p.m. to 1.20 a.m.



The secret of dancing, as of any other art, is practice. The "Harold Teen Hop" is a simple, easy-to-learn dance. It is a combination of seven steps which will form an interesting routine for the student of dancing. It is neither difficult nor intricate, and anyone should be able to follow the explanations of the different steps without difficulty.

Do your practicing in front of a mirror—full length if it is possible. You will find you make much more rapid progress than is possible without its aid. You should practice each step before you try the next one. Cut out each lesson and the illustrations of steps and positions, preserving it for ready reference. If you have mastered the first lesson in the "Harold Teen Hop,"

Next, a hop on the right foot, as illustrated in Position No. 2. Now tap forward with the left foot, down with the left foot on a tap and down with the right foot in the same manner. Repeat this movement, starting with the left foot, instead of the right. The complete step consists of this movement six times, alternating with each foot at the start.

If you have mastered the first lesson in the "Harold Teen Hop," you are ready for the second lesson, which is also a tap step. The second step is preceded by a "break," a series of transitional steps which enable the dancer to glide gracefully from one step into the next. It is quite simple and is done by bringing the right foot forward in a tap, then the left foot forward in a similar tap, and repeat this six times. From this, the student is ready to go into the second step.

The left foot crosses over the right, then hop to the left foot with the right foot back. Come back on the right foot as the left goes into the air. (See Position No. 4). Now bring the left foot down to a tap. (See Position No. 5). The right foot then crosses behind the left, and you hop to the right foot with the left foot back. (See Position No. 6). Now come down with the right foot in a tap (see Position No. 7) and repeat the entire step twice from beginning to end.

Master the two steps, we have taken up so far, by practicing each separately until you have learned to do them correctly. Then practice them in combination until you can go through them smoothly. Watch the position of the hands, as illustrated. Learn to use your hands naturally for balance. Your rhythm will be improved. (To be Continued To-morrow)

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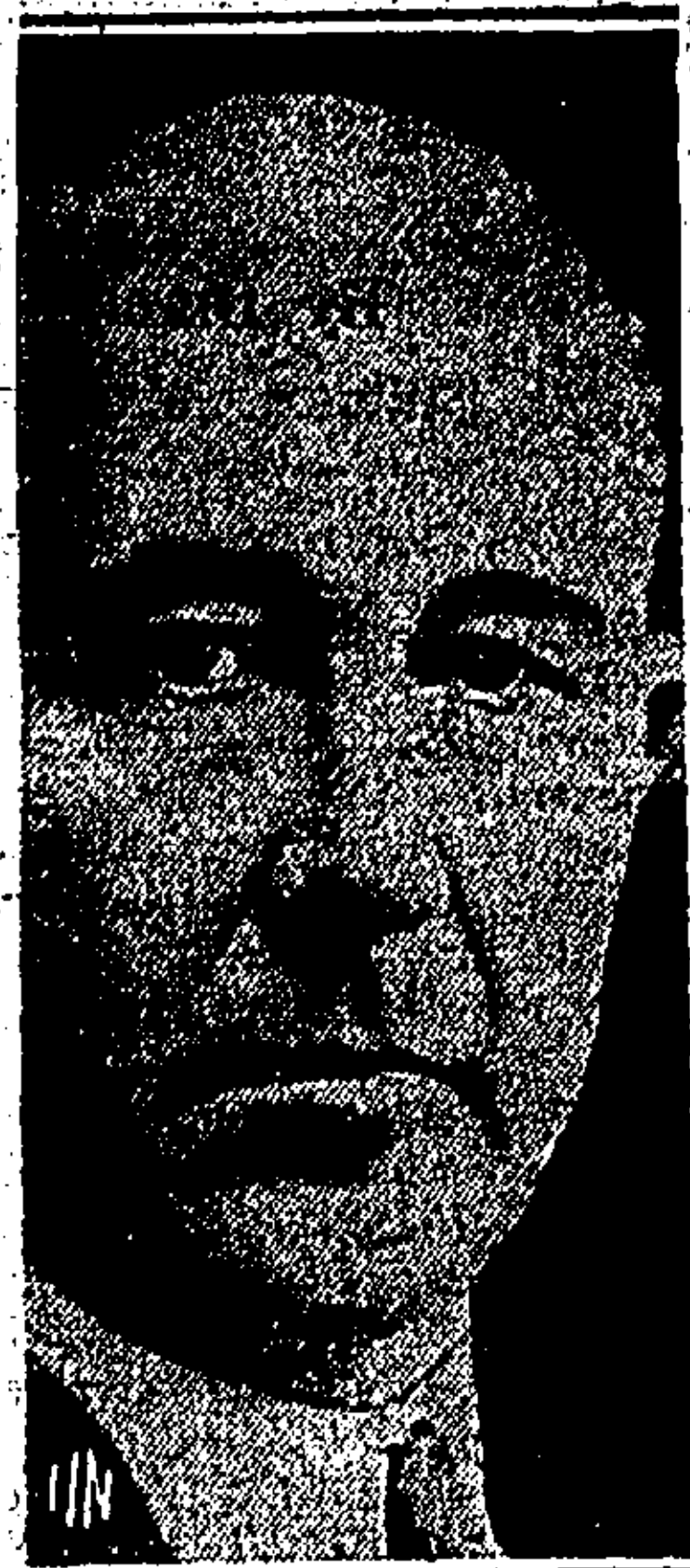
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Some members of the staff of the University of Louisiana student publication resigned after the Faculty, headed by Dr. James M. Smith, the president, imposed censorship on criticism of Senator Huey Long in the college periodical.

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For those passengers travelling first class there is an open-air swimming-pool on the sun-deck, with a Lido-like deck-space, in the immediate vicinity of which is a gymnasium and bar. Besides this, space has been set aside on the sun-deck for the children to play in and yet further space to serve as a resting-place.

For those not desiring to take part in the games on the wide sports-deck, there is a veranda-cafe, whence one can follow the games over a quiet cup of coffee, tea or other refreshment.

The foremost side of the promenade deck is taken up by the large social hall. Annexed to this is the spacious smoking-room, on the one side of which is a bar, and on the other a writing-room with library.

Access from the deck to the dining-room, situated aft of the promenade deck, is gained by means of folding-doors on either side, so that passengers may, as it were, partake of their meals on the promenade deck. This is a new feature in the hitherto usual ship's appointments.

Tourist-Class Amenities

The tourist-class, too, on the "Scharnhorst" will have a social-hall, dining-room, ladies' drawing-room and children's play-room, also an open-air swimming-pool and playground for children.

All the appointments are such as demanded of a ship engaged on voyages to the tropics. This has been borne in mind particularly in respect to the location, size and furnishing of the cabins in both classes.

CURING OPIUM ADDICTS AT LUNGHUA.

Since its establishment six months ago, 2,000 opium and drug addicts have been cured in the temporary clinic at Lunghua. The clinic, organised by the Chinese authorities, maintains 100 beds, which are insufficient to meet the numbers of persons who come for treatment. Further plans to expand the work of the clinic are being pushed.

MARRIED TWO HOURS AFTER TRAGEDY

Two men, the pilot and a passenger, were drowned when the Canadian Airways aeroplane overflying the Island Lake in gusty weather. The three remaining passengers were saved, including a girl who was flying north to meet her fiancé. She was married two hours after the accident.

Mess Of Pottage

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lent a certain dearness to the James whom she had married—the James whose chest was always giving him trouble and whose grey hair was brushed carefully sideways to conceal the bald patch at the back of his head.

Alfreda sighed, and the woman in the seat opposite looked across at her. She was a shabbily dressed little woman and her ungloved hands were roughened by work. Alfreda noticed how her wedding ring was kept on her thin finger by a knuckle swollen with rheumatism. "Would you care to look at my paper?" she offered. "Not that there is anything in it but suicides and divorces. I don't know what the world is coming to! People don't seem to face up to anything, nowadays. They just take the quickest way out."

Alfreda accepted the paper and thanked her. She felt a little irritated with this woman who had faced up to things, for one could see that she had. Her lined face, her neat, shabby clothes and her work-worn hands told one that. Her words had been an unconscious rebuke.

Alfreda glanced at the news, but her thoughts were with James. She should have waited until his cough was better. The doctor had said that he must take care. Could James take care of himself? She doubted it. But Annie would look after him until he found a house-keeper. She was a good girl, and by now she would have given him the letter as she had been told to do. She was glad when the train stopped at Bellminster.

She left her luggage at the station and walked down the narrow high-street to the cafe she had so often visited before James had come into her life. The local train that was to take her to the home of her old school-friend did not leave until four o'clock. She had plenty of time.

There were not many people in the cafe. Alfreda sat down at a corner table. Everything was different, although the same name was painted on the sign over the door. One could never get back to things as they were. People and places changed when one left them. Would she perhaps find that the threads of her past which she had hoped to take up again were tangled beyond unravelling?

"Doesn't Mrs. Packer run this cafe now?" she asked the waitress. "No, madam. Mrs. Packer is dead." She dropped her voice. "She committed suicide, you know."

"Alfreda was shocked. "But why? She seemed always so happy."

"Her husband left her and she went and threw herself into the river."

"How tragic," Alfreda said; but mentally she was answering some frantic inward voice. "James wouldn't do a thing like that, I tell you. He doesn't care. It won't affect him at all. It is just a coincidence my hearing about this. It is absurd to take it as a warning."

But in spite of all her attempts to quieten it, the wretched, inward voice persisted.

"You never know. He has always taken you for granted, but that only makes it the more likely. He has relied on you for everything. He is a helpless sort of man. It is quite possible he will do something desperate when he discovers that you have left him. Then, in a way, you would be his murderer. You never know how people will take things. Look at Mrs. Packer! Who would have thought it of her?"

Alfreda called the waitress. "I have my bill, please. I have a train to catch."

Panic had seized her. She must get back to James. It was Annie's half-day, and he would be alone. There was no knowing what he might already have done. What had that woman in the train said? "People don't face up to things. They take the quickest way out."

She was breathless when she arrived at the station. The train was not due for half an hour. She collected her luggage and sat down to wait. The thirty minutes dragged slowly, and with each moment her fear marched nearer to the sickening certainty that something had happened to James. It was nearly four o'clock when the train deposited Alfreda

outside the house which that morning she had thought to leave for ever. It was now nine o'clock and the house was in darkness. That meant what did mean?

She opened the door with the key she had unthinkingly retained and stepped into the little hall.

Silence greeted her. The dining-room door was open and she felt for the switch. The cold supper that Annie had prepared for the two was on the table, untouched. A chilly hand seemed to close round Alfreda's quickly beating heart. The sitting-room door was shut. She stood a moment summoning all her courage. Then slowly she turned the handle.

The flickering firelight showed her James sprawling in his chair, his head sunk on his chest.

"James!"

Her voice scarcely rose above a whisper.

She tried again, clenching her hands and not daring to go forward into the room.

"James!"

No response came from the huddled figure. With a little cry Alfreda switched on the light.

James's head jerked up. For a moment he stared at her and, unable to speak, she stared back. Then James roused himself and looked down at the paper his right hand was still clutching.

"I must have fallen asleep over this thing," he said. "What is a word, a longish word, ending in 'x,' meaning bathos?"

Alfreda tore across and across the unopened letter that was lying on the table.

"Anti-climax," she said, and flung the piece into the fire.

THE END.

CONSIGNEES

CONSIGNEES' NOTICE.

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Hong Kong, 8th, January 1935.

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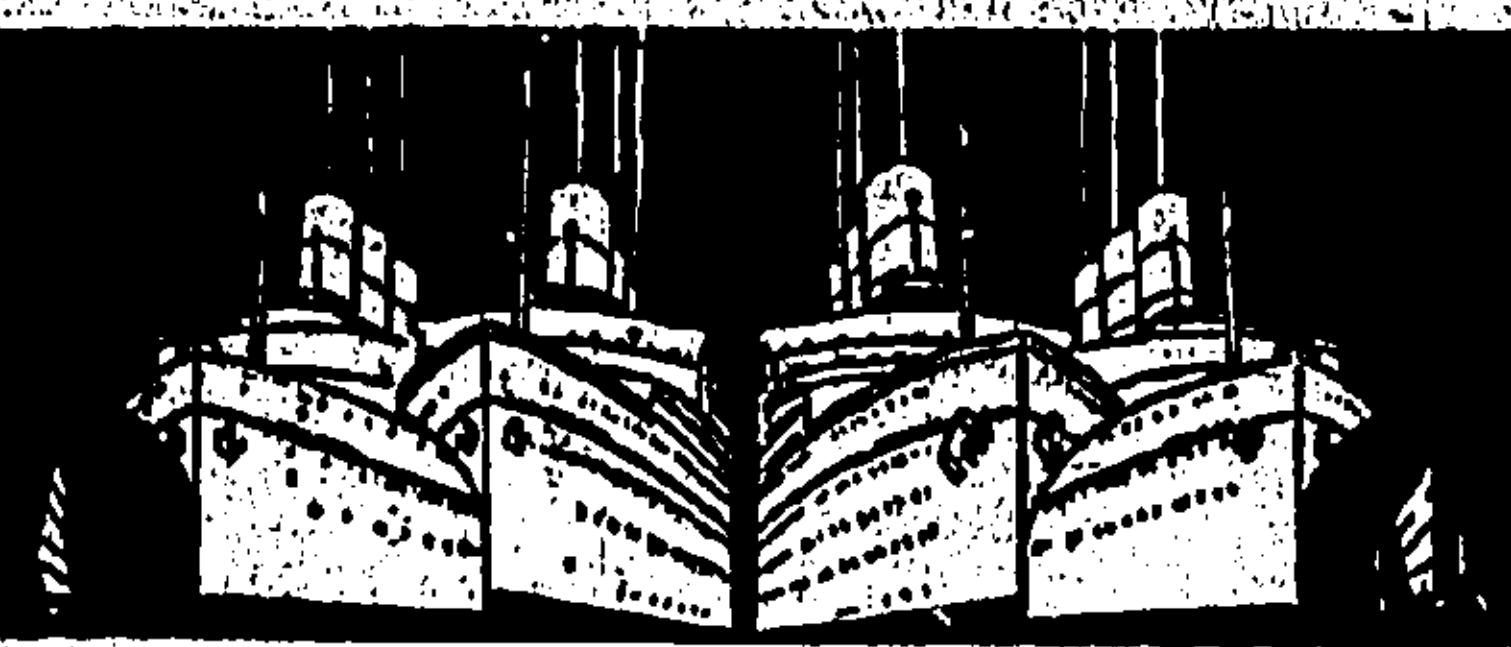
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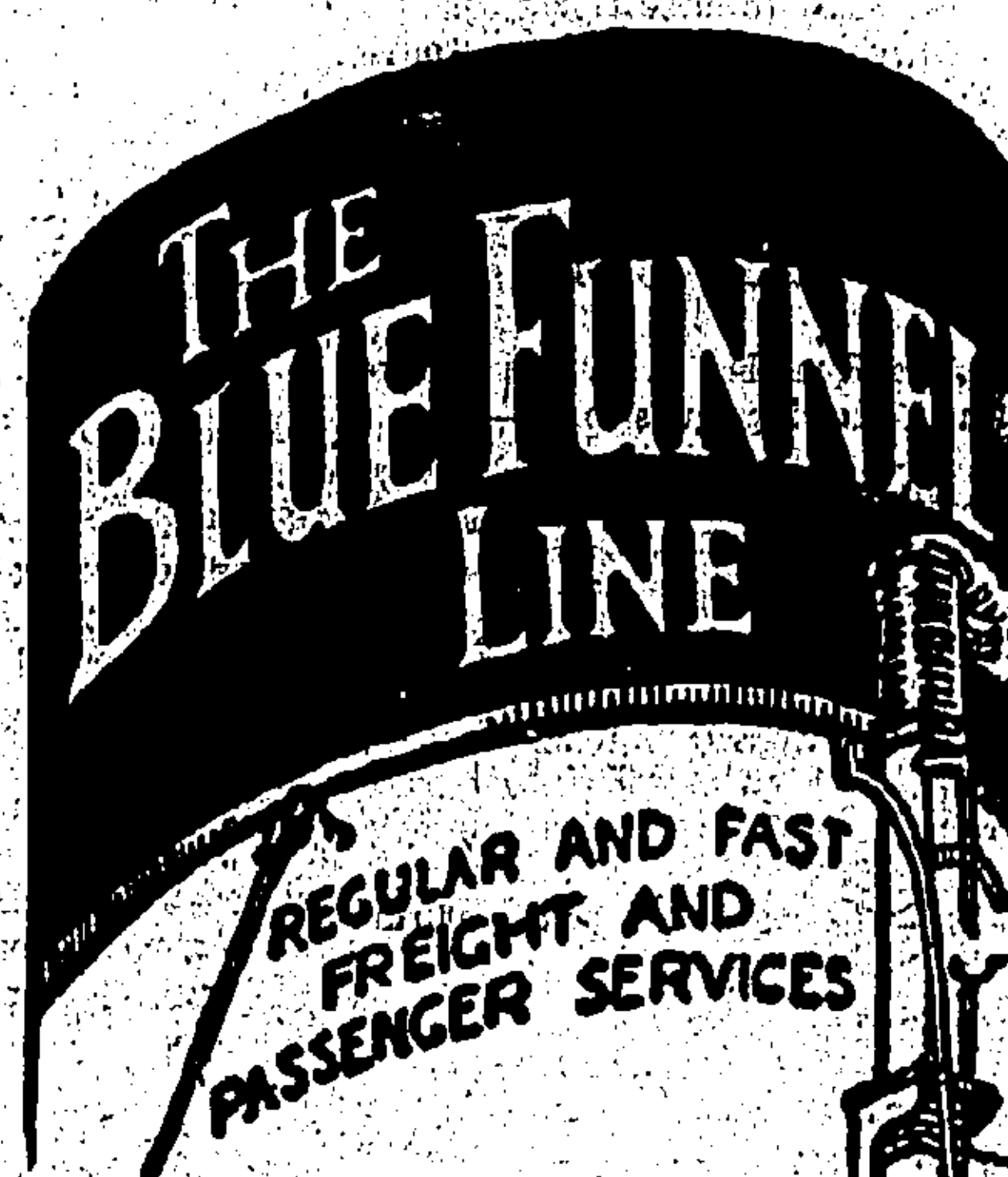
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RAWALPINDI	17,000	9th Feb.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
RAJPUTANA	17,000	23rd Feb.	DO
BANGALORE	6,000	2nd Mar.	Marseilles, Havre, London, Hamburg, Rotterdam, Antwerp & Hull.
CHITRAL	15,000	9th Mar.	Marseilles & London.
CARTHAGE	15,000	23rd Mar.	DO
BHUTAN	6,100	30th Mar.	Marseilles, Havre, London, Hamburg, Rotterdam, Antwerp & Hull.
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S.S.	Tons	From Hong Kong About	Destination.
1935.			
SIRDHANA	8,000	11th Jan.	Amoy, Shanghai, Moji, Kobe, Osaka.
RAWALPINDI	17,000	11th Jan.	Shanghai, Kobe and Yokohama.
BANGALORE	6,000	24th Jan.	DO
TAKADA	8,000	24th Jan.	Amoy, Shanghai, Moji, Kobe, Osaka.
RAJPUTANA	17,000	25th Jan.	Shanghai, Kobe, Yokohama.
TANDA	7,000	2nd Feb.	Amoy, Shanghai, Moji, Kobe, Osaka, Yokohama.
SHIRALA	8,000	7th Feb.	Amoy, Shanghai, Moji, Kobe, Osaka.
CHITRAL	15,000	8th Feb.	Shanghai, Kobe, Yokohama.
BHUTAN	6,100	21st Feb.	DO
TALAWA	10,000	21st Feb.	Amoy, Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
CARTHAGE	15,000	22nd Feb.	Shanghai, Kobe, Yokohama.
NANKIN	7,000	7th Mar.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama.
SANTHIA	8,000	7th Mar.	Amoy, Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
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AIR DEVELOPMENTS IN ALL COUNTRIES

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Again, of the 91,000 air passengers who travelled between England and the Continent in 1933, 53,500 used British aircraft, the remaining 37,500 being divided between the other foreign lines. Moreover, taking their services as a whole, Imperial Airways carried a larger passenger, a large mail, and a larger freight tonnage than the French. Its ton-mileage was also nearly 90 per cent. in excess of that of the Dutch and about 100 per cent. more than that of the Italians during the same period.

America's Advantages

It was true, he hinted, that we lagged behind the United States. Geography, however, gave them a great advantage, their petrol cost them less than one-quarter as much, their lines were directly subsidised to the extent of \$4,750,000 per annum, and no less than \$25,000,000 had been spent on development during the past seven years. Nevertheless, it had recently been stated that the industry was on the verge of ruin.

On the other hand, Imperial Airways was carrying on with a subsidy of only 45 per cent. of its revenue, which was lower than that of any other country.

At the same time, the Government realised that many of the present schedules, which were fixed by agreement, could be reduced. In fact, long before the result of the recent race they had completed plans for the cutting down of existing time schedules between London and other Empire capitals. We were aiming not only at greater speed at a higher frequency, but at greater comfort and a development of the mail traffic.

There was no justification for panic measures, still less for the outbreak of "air hysteria." He claimed that the foundations of British air transport had been well laid and that we might hope to see a superstructure, built on those foundations, which would, when the special circumstances of the Empire were taken into account, stand the test of time and keep us in the van of progress.—Engineering.

LONG-RANGE TALKS BETWEEN PILOTS

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Germany and Italy; while Cairo received short-wave messages, without any fading, from a machine more than 1,000 miles away, flying southward towards Cape Town.

As yet another example of such long-range reception, the fact may be mentioned that the result of the last Derby was picked up by the operator in an Imperial Airways liner when the machine was flying between Baghdad and Basra. He communicated it at once to the passengers who, although they were at the moment high above the desert, thus became aware of what had won the race within a minute or so of the finish on Epsom Downs.

CATHCART-JONES' RECORD

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Cathcart-Jones was officer of the watch. When the quarter-master reported that the captain's barge could be seen returning, Cathcart-Jones lined up the quarter-master, corporal of the watch, bugler, and side boys.

The captain mounted the gangway wearing only a pair of boots, a towel round his loins and his monocle. His clothes had been stolen by some Greek boys while he bathed.

Chasing Pirates

The Hermes had a smell of powder in 1926 when off Blas Bay, pirates were troubling British shipping. Cathcart-Jones' flight were ordered to search for pirate lairs down the Yangtze River after he and a shipmate had returned in their dinner jackets from an evening ashore. With overalls over boiled shirts these bold spirits went into action.

Pirates' villages were attacked by naval landing parties. Aircraft watched for escaping pirates. The pirates began to have a respect for Cathcart-Jones' Raffles river steamers ceased whenever the Hermes was about.

HOCKEY

NAVY SURPRISE ARMY IN HOCKEY CLASSIC

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The Navy forwards were very good in attack, but the inside forwards failed to drop back to aid the defence when under pressure. Curry, the Navy leader, played a very hard game, his short passing being featured. Neame, at inside right, who scored the Navy's first two goals, supported Curry well, and both were seen in many swift, short-passing movements.

Howie on the right-wing often took the ball well up the field, but his centres were mostly intercepted by one of the defenders.

Kartar Singh's Good Display
For the losers, who were handicapped by the absence of Lt. Laine, Kartar Singh was the outstanding player. As Senior was decidedly off his game, Kartar Singh had to make most of the openings, receiving very little help from his wing, Lal Singh.

Both the Army goals were scored by Kartar Singh, clever stick-work and swiftness of foot carrying him through the Navy defence time and again. On several occasions, his shots went wide or were cleared by Baines.

Both the inside right and the winger were off form; Garthwaite, although he was seen in many fast attacks, was very erratic in his passing, while his winger, Robinson, besides being unable to gather the ball, was erratic in his passing.

Williams, who substituted for Laine at right-half, checked the Navy left wing in many attacks. Dulla Singh, the centre-half, bore the brunt of the Navy attack and did well to hold Curry in the first half.

Two Quick Goals

The backs, Metcalfe and Rossier, were very unsteady and were both injured at the commencement of the game. Hollingsworth, in goal, played his usual game and made several spectacular saves.

The first goal came within the first two minutes of the game. The Navy forwards broke away and swooped down upon the Army goal, Neame scoring before the Army backs could recover.

The Army equalised soon after with a well-placed shot by Kartar Singh.

The Navy then assumed the upper hand, but mainly due to the safe intermediate line of the Army, there was no further scoring for a while. This spell was at last broken when the Navy forwards ran through for Neame to score again.

After the interval, the Army rallied, but could not get past the sound Naval defence, Phillips being the thorn in their attack. After being penned in their own half for a period, the Navy broke away for Lescelles to net with a scoop shot.

After the resultant bully-off, the Army again took up the offensive, and it was not long before they reduced the arrears when Kartar Singh sent in a good shot after Baines had cleared from Garthwaite.

With about five minutes to go the Navy again scored from a well placed ground shot from Howie.

The teams were:-
Navy:- Sub-Lt. Baines, Lt. Comdr. Jackson and Surg. Comdr. Phillips; Lt. Campbell, Lt. Comdr. Newman and Lt. Comdr. Hill; Lt. Howie, Lt. Comdr. Neame, Lt. Currie, Lt. Lescelles and Mid. Whitworth.
Army:- E. Hollingsworth, Lt. Metcalfe, and Lt. Rossier; Lt. Williams, Dulla Singh and Elar (Dh) Lt. Robinson, Lt. Garthwaite, W. O. Senior, Kartar Singh and Lal Singh.

NO FOREIGN MARRIAGES FOR THE SERVICES

Under a set of measures drawn up jointly by the Ministries of Foreign Affairs and War, marriages between foreign women and officers of the national land, naval, and air forces and members of the diplomatic service are strictly prohibited. Hereafter, any person who marries a woman of foreign nationality will be ineligible for appointment to any post in these services.

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NEW YORK STOCK MARKET

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"Grains:—There was dull local trading with the market temporarily confined to purchases on set-backs. Wheat: Total sales:—17,386,000 bushels; Corn: Total sales:—8,746,000 bushels.

"Cotton:—There was some selling against purchases of farmers' option certificates. Trade replenishment demand is developing slowly and should accumulate on all dips.

"Rubber:—The market is consolidating; the gains made and we would recommend purchases. Total sales:—198 lots.

The following telegrams were received by Messrs. S. E. Levy and Co. from Reuters:—
Favourable factors ruling prior to the opening of the N. Y. markets included:—

(1) Early prospects of new oil control legislation is likely to prevent unsettlement in the oil industry.
(2) Continued favourable trade news.
(3) Indications that a considerable portion of re-investment funds are going into common stocks.

Unfavourable factors:—
(1) A continuance of the highly selective demand is likely, pending clarification of the Congressional outlook.

Prices on Wall Street showed some irregularity, but the trend was mostly fractionally lower, with rails under moderate pressure. Meanwhile, a narrow and irregular market seems indicated, as traders await some fresh incentive.

Steel operations at Chicago were at 50 per cent of capacity, an increase of 5 points from last week. Daily average of petroleum production was 2,389,000 barrels.

Weekly electricity production totalled 1,669,000,000 k.w. hours, an increase of 6.7 per cent. from the corresponding period of last year. The publication "Iron Age" estimates steel production at 44.5 per cent of capacity. Although the automobile industry accounts for a large part of the expansion, mill operations and the farm equipment industry continue to take more steel. Tinplate specifications have improved and sizeable inquiries from railroads have brightened prospects for a more active demand for heavier rolled products.

The following telegram was received by Messrs S. E. Levy and Co. from Reuters:—

The Stock Exchange has reported that the short interest on December 31 amounted to 714,000 shares, a decline of 82,000 shares compared with the month ended November 30.

The following regular quarterly dividends have been declared:—Woolworth 60 cts., Continental Can. 60 cts.

E. A. Pierce Co.'s Report
In their market report, the American Oriental Finance Corporation, correspondent for Messrs. E. A. Pierce and Company New York state:—

"Stocks: The shrinkage in volume of trading, as a reaction threatened, is interpreted as a constructive indication, and traders took up the buying side in the afternoon.

"Grains: Wheat showed no follow-up and, at the close, prices were fractionally down. There was some buying of futures, credited to mills, but, in the aggregate, trade was moderate with some improvement in the corn shipping demand. Country offerings were light. There was pressure on hard spots.

"Cotton: Small scattered selling was filling trade buying orders on a scale down.

"Rubber: The market was quiet and prices were lower. There was little commission house interest. Dealers were principal sellers against actuals. London was quiet and steady.

"Sugar: Refined stayed unchanged, but raw sugar was easier. Futures were dull, while the trade was accumulating on contracts. The Cuban Committee has announced dissolution of the Export Committee. There will be no shipments of raws for 10 days.

"Flash: National City has declared a semi-annual dividend of 50 cents per share.—Reuters.

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cross-rate	12.78	12.70	New York	4.92%
N.Y. Cotton—May	14.18	14.00	Montreal	4.89%
N.Y. Rubber—May	10.14	10.14	Brussels	20.97
Chicago Wheat—May	91%	90%	Geneva	15.15
Chicago Corn—May	64.70	64.90	Amsterdam	7.25/4
Montreal Silver—Mar.	64.70	64.90	Milan	67.18/2
Silver Official	64%	64%	Berlin	12.23
Dow Jones Averages			Prague	117%
Today's			Madrid	35.29/2
Jan. 8 close	Change		Athens	530 Sellers
80 Industrials	106.08	103.05	Belgrade	216
20 Rails	37.15	36.88	Bucharest	467%
20 Utilities	17.54	17.75	Montevideo	89% Sol. Off.
40 Bonds	96.82	96.86	Other rates unchanged.	
11 Commodity	62.10	61.72	Silver Spot	24 9/16
17 Leading Stocks			Silver Forward	24 11/16
Amer. Can.	114%		Warican 3 1/2%	109%
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DEFENDANTS BOUND
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Chan Chai and Leung Wing, two Botanical and Forestry Department coolies, who were brought up on remand, charged with an indecent assault on a young widow in Queen's Road West last Sunday, were bound over in the sum of \$50 each to be of good behaviour for six months by Mr. W. Schofield at the Central Magistracy this morning.

Following the defendant's plea of not guilty, inquiries were conducted by the Police. Sub-inspector Fender stated this morning that the place where the alleged assault occurred was a sly brothel.

The charges of indecent assault and the use of bad language were withdrawn. The defendants, however, were ordered to pay \$2 for breaking a door.

NEWS FOR PHILATELISTS

The Spanish Government is planning a new stamp issue. The stamps will bear the effigies of Arenal, famous writer of ancient Galicia, as well as those of Jovelanos, prominent minister under King Charles III and Menendez Aviles, illustrious Spanish conquistador and colonizer in South America.

INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENT ON MONEY VALUES

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He added that progress towards international agreement could be seen dimly on the horizon and emphasised the fact that the Government's action abrogating the gold clause had been taken in the face of the "most terrifying industrial

ADMINISTRATION WILL CONTINUE OIL PROGRAMME

Despite Supreme Court
Opposition

"HOT OIL" TRANSHIPMENTS
REVIVED

London, To-day.

As a sequel to the Supreme Court's oil-control decision there is an alarming revival of the transshipment of "hot oil" (oil produced in excess of the quotas assigned to the various States) from the East Texas field without State tenders, according to the Financial Times' New York correspondent, who reports that 75 railcar loads of oil products were shipped last night from the Texas field, where there is a tremendous concentration of railroad tank cars.

Legitimate operators, he stated, declared to the Administration that they could not compete with the revived "hot oil" operators.

Ten refineries have resumed operations, despite the inter-State railways' decision, which became effective yesterday, not to accept oil for inter-State shipment without the tender being approved.

Official circles in Washington fear a break in crude-oil prices to U.S.\$1 per barrel for the major companies and a lower fall for the independents.

President Roosevelt yesterday declared emphatically that the Administration intends to proceed with its oil control programme, despite the Supreme Court's decision.

and financial crisis."

He asked the court to find that President Roosevelt had acted justly and wisely. Referring to the theory of the inviolability of contracts, he asserted: "Written understandings must yield to the interests of public welfare."—Reuter.

WHAT HAPPENS IN A COLLISION

Momentum Of Moving
Bodies

SUDDEN STOP CAUSES
THE DAMAGE

When we see a photograph of trains that have been in collision we may wonder how such massively built structures as locomotives and railway carriages can be bent and smashed in the way they are.

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No matter how strongly they may be built, no engines could resist such an enormous impact as that.

"MORE PEACEFUL CHINA BUT TRADE IS BECOMING LESS"

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While Japanese competition remained very keen, especially owing to her proximity to China, it is pointed out that her exports to China are also decreasing.

The frequency of the Chinese tariff changes is compelling buyers to exercise caution, more over the customs receipts are now answering the law diminishing returns and the heavy duties are encouraging large-scale smuggling. — Reuter.

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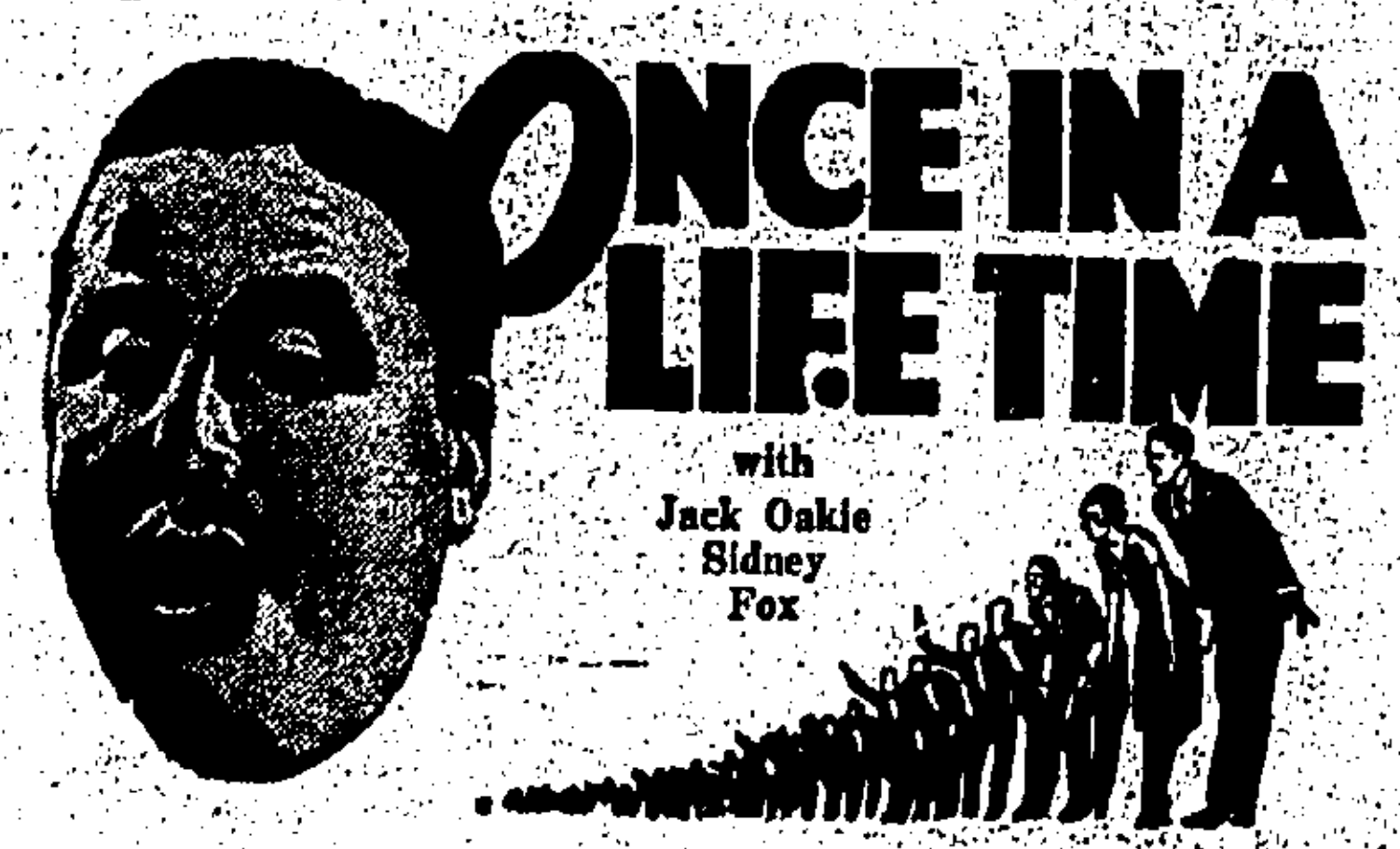
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